

Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue:
Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 16 June 2015

Meeting time:
09.00

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Agenda

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions (09:00)

2 Papers to note (09:00–09:05) (Pages 1 – 3)

Meeting the Financial Challenges Facing Local Government in Wales: Additional information from RCT CBC on early departures (June 2015) (Page 4)

Meeting the Financial Challenges Facing Local Government in Wales: Additional information from Powys CC on early departures (June 2015) (Page 5)

Health Finances 2013–14: Additional information from Cwm Taf HB (May 2015)
(Pages 6 – 85)

3 Unscheduled Care: Update from the Welsh Government (09:05–09:35)
(Pages 86 – 142)

Background Briefing

Wales Audit Office Briefing

Dr Andrew Goodall – Director General, Health and Social Services, Welsh Government
Joanna Jordan – Director of Corporate Services and Partnerships, Welsh Government
Dr Grant Robinson – National Clinical Lead for Unscheduled Care, Welsh Government

4 NHS Wales Health Board’s Governance: Update from the Welsh Government (09:35–10:30) (Pages 143 – 177)

PAC(4)–17–15 Paper 1– Report on Targeted Intervention

PAC(4)–17–15 Paper 2– NHS Wales Structure Charts

Dr Andrew Goodall – Director General, Health and Social Services, Welsh Government
Joanna Jordan – Director of Corporate Services and Partnerships, Welsh Government

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business: (10:30)

Items 6 and 7

6 Unscheduled Care: Consideration of evidence received (10:30–10:45)

7 NHS Wales Health Board’s Governance: Consideration of evidence received (10:45–11:00)

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Meeting time: **09.00 – 10.41**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Darren Millar AM (Chair)
Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM
Mike Hedges AM
Sandy Mewies AM
Julie Morgan AM
Jenny Rathbone AM
Aled Roberts AM

Witnesses:

Committee Staff:

Michael Kay (Clerk)
Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk)
Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)
Joanest Varney-Jackson (Legal Adviser)
Andrew Minnis (Researcher)
Stephen Martin (Wales Audit Office)
Jeremy Morgan (Wales Audit Office)
Matthew Mortlock (Wales Audit Office)
Dave Thomas (Wales Audit Office)
Huw Vaughan Thomas (Auditor General for Wales)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to the meeting.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Jocelyn Davies. There was no substitute.
- 1.3 Following the election of Members to Committee in plenary on 2 June, the Chair thanked William Graham for his contribution to the Committee and welcomed Mohammad Asghar on his return to the Committee.
- 1.4 Sandy Mewies declared an interest as a Member of the Assembly Commission (item 2.1).

2 Papers to note

- 2.1 The papers were noted.
- 2.2 The Committee agreed to return to the issue of the Assembly Commission budget when it scrutinises its annual accounts in the autumn term.

2.1 Scrutiny of Commissioners' Accounts 2013–14: Letter from the Deputy Presiding Officer (1 June 2015)

3 Inquiry into value for money of Motorway and Trunk Road Investment: Consideration of draft Report

- 3.1 Members considered and agreed the draft report subject to a few minor amendments. The Report will be published later this month.

4 NHS Wales Health Board's Governance

- 4.1 Members noted the letter from Dr Peter Higson (4 June) regarding the deferment of sending the Report on the escalation status of BCUHB to the Committee and the announcement by the Minister for Health and Social Services (8 June) that the Health Board has been placed in special measures as part of the NHS Wales Escalation Framework.

5 National Framework for Continuing NHS Healthcare: Consideration of the Welsh Government response to the Committee Report

- 5.1 Members noted the Welsh Government response and the Auditor General's remarks to the Committee Report.
- 5.2 Members agreed that the Chair should write to the Welsh Government seeking clarification regarding recommendations 1, 3, 7 and 8.

6 Glastir: Consideration of Welsh Government response to the Committee Report

6.1 Members noted the Welsh Government response and the Auditor General's remarks to the Committee Report.

6.2 Members agreed that the Chair should write to the Welsh Government seeking further clarification of the government's response to the Report recommendations.

7 Welsh Government Investment in Next Generation Broadband Infrastructure

7.1 The Auditor General gave the Committee an oral briefing on his recent report.

7.2 Members agreed to undertake a short inquiry into this topic.

8 Forward Work programme: Auditor General for Wales' 2015–16 work programme

8.1 The Auditor General discussed his proposed work programme with the Committee and welcomed the suggestions and priority areas Members highlighted.

Public Accounts Committee

Date: 19 May 2015

Inquiry into Managing Early Departures

Additional information received from Tony Wilkins - Director of Human Resources, Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council

Following his attendance at the Committee meeting on 21 April 2015, Mr Wilkins was asked to supply the following information:

- Details of current vacancy numbers together with the departments involved

Mr Wilkins' response:

Whilst posts may be identified as "vacant" (or not filled) within our HR systems, the reality is that all our service areas are currently under review with a view to reducing costs.

Many posts identified as vacant therefore no longer have budgets associated with them.

We have rigorous council-wide control processes in place to manage recruitment into posts, with external recruitment extremely limited.

Accordingly, a vacancy number is not available.

Supplementary information to the paper noted by Committee on 19 May 2015.

Mr Wilkins has replied advising that indicating how many posts are identified as vacant in RCT's HR system is not as straight forward as it might seem. However, as at 1 June 2015, RCT currently had 103.6 posts identified as vacant on the integrated payroll /HR system.

Public Accounts Committee

16 June 2015

Inquiry into Managing Early Departures

Additional information received from Powys County Council (Jason Lewis, Professional Services and Commissioning)

David Powell has asked me to respond in respect to the question from the Public Accounts Committee about the difficulty that we experience in recruiting to key posts in Powys. Apologies for the delay in responding to the question.

We have historically found it difficult to attract suitable candidates to certain positions. This tends to be at the middle professional level where the salary that we can offer does not provide sufficient inducement for candidates to relocate or commute to Powys and typically in roles such as engineering, planning, law, accountancy and procurement. You will be aware that Powys is sparsely populated. We therefore have to regularly seek candidates for specialist roles from outside the county. We do not experience such a problem for senior positions where the salary is such that relocation or commuting greater distances becomes a more realistic option for candidates. The geography and location of Powys and its distance from major urban centres has been for us a major factor in our inability to attract candidates to apply for positions. This has been evidenced in the past through candidate feedback and the feedback of recruitment consultants engaged to run recruitment campaigns on our behalf. We are obviously constrained by the salaries we are able to offer as a public sector employer that has adopted single status. Whilst this is in common with other authorities in Wales, when we are competing for talent with other authorities who may pay the same levels, our location and the associated travel commitments becomes a key deciding factor.

An example of this is our recent attempt to recruit to a senior accountancy position. We've had two recent recruitment campaigns utilising national media that resulted in three applicants coming forward, none of which met the minimum criteria for the position. A recruitment consultant that has been engaged to look for suitable candidates on our behalf has fed back to us that potential candidates are being deterred by our location and the commuting involved. To overcome this disadvantage we are increasingly having to offer flexible working opportunities such as the ability to work from home for part of the week to make the positions attractive to candidates who would otherwise consider the commuting commitments to be too onerous.

Agenda Item 2.3



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University Health Board

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Dept/adran: Chair & Chief Executive

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National Assembly for Wales
Cardiff Bay
Cardiff

received 5/6/15 - CG

Dear Claire

Public Accounts Committee 28th April 2015 – Supporting Information

Further to your email of 28th April 2015, please find below and appended to this letter the requested supporting information in respect of the Health Board's attendance at that morning's Public Accounts Committee.

- **The Health Board's latest report showing the trajectories month on month together with the percentage of patients who have missed targets.**

Our latest Integrated Performance Dashboard report is attached at **Appendix 1** which relates to the financial year 2014/15 and was presented to our Board on the 6th May 2015. This contains our referral to treatment times and trajectories on page 8.

- **A copy of the Health Board's current three-year plan**

Our approved plan relating to 2014/15 to 2016/17 is available on our Health Board website at the following web site address: <http://www.cwmtafuhb.wales.nhs.uk/opendoc/239809>. Our refreshed plan for 2015/16 – 2017/18 has been endorsed by the Health Board at it's public meeting in May but remains as a final draft pending formal approval from Welsh Government. This document is also available on the Cwm Taf UHB website and can be found at the web site address: <http://www.cwmtafuhb.wales.nhs.uk/opendoc/265662>.

Return Address: Ynysmeurig House, Unit 3, Navigation Park, Abercynon, CF45 4SN

• **Templates of all the appointment letters issued to patients.**

Due to the requirements of individual services, the Health Board currently has over 1,000 individual letter templates. Attached at **Appendix 2** is a sample of the generic templates. If further samples are required, then please let me know and we would be happy to provide them.

• **A note on ophthalmology services within the Health Board.**

As I described to Committee members during the meeting, ophthalmology is one of our challenging service delivery areas at present and the Health Board has developed an internal operational plan to drive the delivery of our referral to treatment targets and follow-up outpatient appointments. We are also working with the Chief Optometric Adviser for Wales, in the Welsh Government, to refresh our broader Eye Care Plan for the population of Cwm Taf.

As part of our local plan, we are implementing a number of service improvements including:

- Greater use of optometrists for patients in the community setting.
Increased use of medical photography in the delivery of our acute eye care pathways.
Working with orthoptic staff to look at increasing their role in ocular pressure delivery.
- Creating additional follow up outpatient capacity with the expansion of the Ophthalmic Diagnostic and Treatment Centre in Ysbyty Cwm Rhondda and the establishment of a similar facility in Ysbyty Cwm Cynon in June 2015.
- Setting up virtual clinics for follow up outpatients with diabetic retinopathy, which will commence in June 2015; this should increase the follow up capacity for these clinics by approximately 30%.
- We are also seeking to secure some additional capacity for treating our patients including the running of additional weekend clinics in Cwm Taf.

• **A note on how patients, currently waiting for treatment, who move into the Health Board's area from outside of Wales, are added to waiting lists so as not to be disadvantaged.**

I can confirm that all patients held on a Cwm Taf waiting list are treated in line with published guidance. The initial criterion applied is clinical necessity and within each clinical priority, patients are treated in chronological order. No exceptions are made for area of residency once patients have been accepted onto a waiting list. This would include patients who have previously resided out of Cwm Taf boundaries and also patients who are not Cwm Taf residents but where services are commissioned from Cwm Taf UHB.

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- **A note on the timescale for the audit work being undertaken on long-term follow up patients (follow ups not booked patients).**

At the end of May 2014, 59% of the records requiring administrative validation will have been completed. This work remains on-going with a view to completion by 1st September 2015. In parallel to the administrative validation is a clinical validation being undertaken by the relevant General Practitioners.

I would also like to take this opportunity to clarify one point made during the course of the discussion at Public Accounts Committee. I gave assurance that patient "clocks" are not reset if they cancel their first appointment and that this was in line with the 'Guide to Good Practice'. The 'Guide to Good Practice' was superseded by the 'Consolidated Rules for RTT', which state that it is acceptable to reset the "clock" for a patient on their first cancellation of an agreed appointment date. However in respect of the extant guidance, there are two separate issues that I would like to clarify for the Committee:

- The impact of the cancellation on the patient's position in the waiting list.
- The impact of the first cancellation on the Health Board's compliance with the targets.

For the purpose of reporting Health Board compliance with the waiting times target, if a patient cancels an appointment the national guidance ensures that the health Board is not unfairly penalised for the patient's decision. Therefore for reporting purposes, the "clock" is reset.

From a patient perspective however, that first cancellation will result in them being given the next available appointment slot which ensures that they are not personally disadvantaged from having to make that cancellation. The distinction is important, so that neither the patient nor the Health Board is disadvantaged by such a decision.

I hope the above provides the Committee with further useful supporting information and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Allison Williams
Chief Executive/Prif Weithredydd

Appendix 2 – Sample Outpatient Appointment Letters

PARTIAL BOOKING LETTER (1ST APPOINTMENT) first invitation to ring

Appointment Centre Tel: 01443 444060. Open Mon-Fri. 8.15 am - 5.45pm

Date: 12 May 2015

Document Reference

FIRST INVITATION

Dear

INVITATION TO ARRANGE A FIRST APPOINTMENT

You can now arrange an appointment in the following speciality

SPECIALITY:

by telephoning the Appointments Centre on the above number. Please ring at your convenience, but please note that lines are usually busiest in the morning, particularly on Mondays.

This letter should have been delivered to you within 2 working days of the date above. If it has been delayed, please keep the envelope and tell us when you ring.

You can phone between 8.15 am and 5.45pm, Monday to Friday. Please have pen and paper to hand to note down your appointment details. Please ring within 7 days if possible. If you no longer need an appointment, please let us know.

If you have any questions, please ring the Appointments Centre as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

MEDICAL RECORDS MANAGER

Document Reference No

FORENAME
ADDRESS

Date: 13-May-2015

Document Reference No: C

REMINDER

POSTCODE

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Dear

REMINDER TO ARRANGE AN APPOINTMENT

We recently wrote, asking you to ring and arrange an appointment in the following specialty:

SPECIALITY MAIN_SPEC_1

We do not appear to have heard from you and we would like to ensure that you do not miss the opportunity. Please contact the Appointment Centre on the above number within 7 days from today to arrange an appointment. If you no longer need an appointment, please let us know. If we do not hear from you within 7 days, we will assume you no longer require an appointment and you will be removed from the waiting list.

This letter should have been delivered to you within 2 working days of the date above. If it has been delayed, please keep the envelope and tell us when you ring.

You can phone between 8.15am and 5.45pm, Monday to Friday. Please have pen and paper to hand to note down your appointment details.

If you have any questions, please ring the Appointments Centre As soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

MEDICAL RECORDS MANAGER

TELEPHONE NUMBER

Date: 13-May-2015

Hospital Ref:

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Dear

The following Outpatient appointment has been made for you -

CONSULTANT
SPECIALITY
DATE
TIME
LOCATION

Cross may be put in your eyes which will prevent you from driving home.

On your first visit, please bring this letter, a urine sample, all your current medication, spectacles and magnifiers. Patients under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

On arrival, please report to the above location. You may not see the doctor indicated on this letter. If you think you may be entitled to an ambulance, please contact 0800 32 82 332.

If you cannot attend, please telephone the above number immediately. Failure to do so will mean your referral back to your GP.

Cwm Taf is smoke free. You are not allowed to smoke in our buildings, doorways, grounds or car-parks during your visit or hospital stay.

Yours sincerely

MEDICAL RECORDS MANAGER

Referral Ref:

GENERAL CANCELLATION LETTER

FORENAM
ADDRESS

DATE: 13-May-2015
HOSPITAL REF CASENO
SC

POSTCODE

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Dear

Re: CANCELLATION OF OUTPATIENT APPOINTMENT

Due to unavoidable circumstances, your Outpatient Appointment has had to be cancelled. Details of the cancelled appointment are shown below. We will send you details of your new appointment separately.

WHEN YOUR NEW APPOINTMENT LETTER ARRIVES, PLEASE CHECK THE DATE AND TIME CAREFULLY, AS SOMETIMES ONLY THE APPOINTMENT TIME WILL HAVE CHANGED, NOT THE DATE.

PLEASE NOTE - THIS APPOINTMENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED

NAME	ALL_NAME		
SPECIALITY	MAIN_SPEC		
DATE	TRT_DATE	TIME:	APPT
LOCATION	BASE_DESC		

If you need to cancel an ambulance booking, please contact the Ambulance Booking Centre on 0800 32 82 332.

We do apologise for any inconvenience this change has caused.

Yours sincerely

MEDICAL RECORDS MANAGER

Name

CANCELLATION LETTER - EYES

TELEPHONE NUMBER 01685 728266

DATE: 13-May-2015

HOSPITAL REF: M2061131

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Dear

Re: CANCELLATION OF OUTPATIENT APPOINTMENT

Due to unavoidable circumstances, your Outpatient Appointment has had to be cancelled. Details of the cancelled appointment are shown below. We will send you details of your new appointment separately.

WHEN YOUR NEW APPOINTMENT LETTER ARRIVES, PLEASE CHECK THE DATE AND TIME CAREFULLY, AS SOMETIMES ONLY THE APPOINTMENT TIME WILL HAVE CHANGED, NOT THE DATE.

IMPORTANT - IF YOU HAVE A 'VISUAL FIELDS' APPOINTMENT, PLEASE NOTE THAT IF OTHERWISE INFORMED THE VISUAL FIELDS APPOINTMENT WILL STAND.

PLEASE NOTE - THIS APPOINTMENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

NAME
SPECIALITY
DATE
TIME
LOCATION

If you need to cancel an ambulance booking, please contact the Ambulance Booking Centre on 0800 32 82 332.

We do apologise for any inconvenience this change has caused.

Yours sincerely,

NEW APPOINTMENT PHYSIOTHERAPY

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Dear

An appointment has been made for you to attend the Physiotherapy Outpatient Department, Prince Charles Hospital on:

APPOINTMENT DATE

APPOINTMENT TIME

Please report to the reception desk in the Physiotherapy Department which is situated on the Ground Floor.

The first appointment will take approximately 40 to 60 minutes and will consist of a detailed history, physical examination and discussion of findings.

If you are unable to keep your appointment you must inform the department on 01685 728111 as soon as possible. If you fail to attend or do not notify us of your inability to attend we will assume you do not require treatment and will be discharged.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Sally A Thomas
HEAD OF PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICE
Cwm Tal Health Board

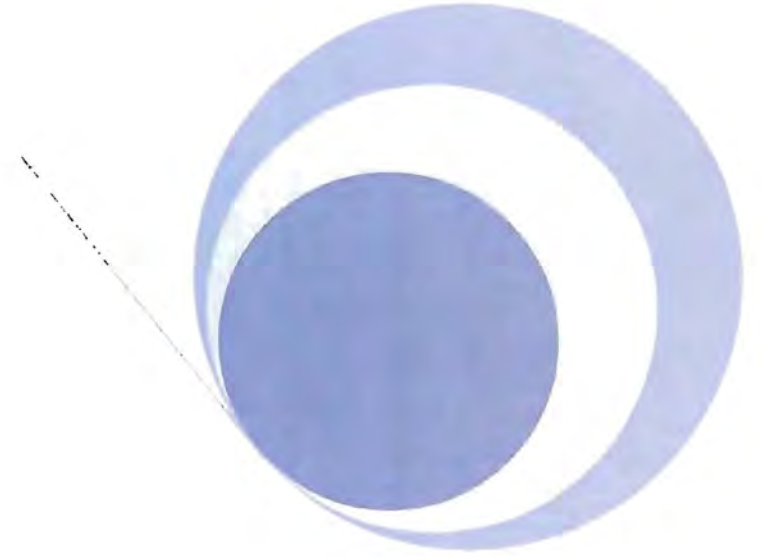
Cwm Tal University Health Board is smoke-free. This means you are not allowed to smoke in our buildings, doorways, grounds or car parks during your visit or hospital stay.



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INTEGRATED PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD
Lead Director – Director of Planning and Performance

6th May 2015 – Health Board

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My Local Health Service

In addition to this internal performance report, Cwm Taf UHB also participates in the Welsh Government initiative which enables sharing of quality and performance information with the public. **My Local Health Service** is designed to share more information about Cwm Taf with the general public than ever before.

Cwm Taf UHB is responsible to the public for the health and social care that is provided within its boundaries. My Local Health Service will present information on the workings of all these areas in a user friendly way so everyone can see how we are performing for our population.

This is a journey of honesty and increasing openness, with a lot more information to be provided over the coming months and then regularly updated. My Local Health Service will publish various measures showing the quality of NHS services all over Wales. The information is provided where possible with comparisons to be made between regions and organisations across Wales and not just within Cwm Taf. We encourage members of the public to use this information to navigate the NHS and to challenge where improvement is needed.

The Website currently includes:

- Bilingual access to performance measures for NHS Wales
- The option to view information as a table or chart
- Direct links to useful websites for further information
- A frequently asked questions tab

Picture work

My Local Health Service is an evolving project with scope for the publication of a wide variety of performance data and useful public health service information. The vision for My Local Health Service is to provide health care measures of success in more details on a local level. This will include information about the performance of individual services within a hospital or General Practice.

1 Cwm Taf UHB at a Glance										
Key	Forecast for next month's position	G	A	R						
	New Escalation	New		Data Quality	Under Development					
	Update on	Prev		TBC	To Be Completed					
EXPERIENCE AND ACCESS		Standard	Current Month Data	Month Actual	YTD (April to March)	Forecast next month	Month Actual 2014	YTD (April to March) 2013/14	Data Quality Indicator	
Access	A&E Seen in < 4 hours	95%	March	89.30%	89.55%		85.20%	88.90%	⊗	
	A&E seen in < 12 hours	100%		98.80%	99.28%		N/A		⊗	
	Ambulance Cat A in 8 mins	65%	March	46.4%	43.9%		42.9%	53.1%		
	A&E Handover within 15 mins	95%		85.7%	87.2%		85.8%	81.6%		
	A&E Handover within 60 mins	100%		99.90%	99.90%		98.00%	99.80%		
	RTT No Patient > 36 Weeks	zero	March	1155	N/A	R	638	N/A		
	RTT <26 Weeks - Total	95%		86.80%	N/A	R	89.50%	N/A		
Cancer Target	USC Treated < 62 days	95%	February	81.5%	89.0%	R	89.8%	85.0%		
				10/54	64/582	R	6/59	82/548		
	NUSC Treated <31 days	98%		97.0%	98.5%	G	97.7%	98.4%		
Fractured Neck of Femur (#NOF)	#NOF - 2 hr to admission	Improvement	March	4.5 hrs	3.0hrs		3.4hrs	NA		
	#NOF - 24 hr to theatre			33.6 hrs	33.4hrs		26hrs	NA		
Efficiency & Utilisation	Theatre Productivity (Mins):		March							
	Late	zero		6689			6879			
	Early finish	unproductive		15259			13192			
	Total Sessions lost	time by End		210			1785			
	Turn around > 20 mins	March 2015		5231			5462			
	Theatre cancellations by hospital			Total	73%	75%		N/A		
	Outpatients DNA Rates - New	5% (local)			8.0%	8.0%		7.9%	7.9%	
	Outpatients DNA Rates - F/up	7% (local)			10.7%	10.7%		9.3%	10.4%	
	Outpatient Clinic Cancellations < 6 Weeks	Local - Improvement			46	760		76	886	
	Emergency Ave LOS - Acute Medicine	Local			6.6			6.3		
	Emergency Ave LOS - Orthopaedics	9.9			7.9	7.5		7.9	7.9	
	Emergency Ave LOS - General Surgery	6.0			4.3	5.2		5.1	5.3	
	Admission on Day of Surgery - General Surgery	62%		November	60%	56%		N/A		
	Admission on Day of Surgery - Urology	75%			74%	66%		N/A		
	Admission on Day of Surgery - Orthopaedics	55%			18%	18%		N/A		
	Admission on Day of Surgery - ENT	81%			79%	79%		N/A		
	Admission on Day of Surgery - Ophthalmology	79%			100%	72%		N/A		
Admission on Day of Surgery - Oral Surgery	46%	63%	56%			N/A				
Admission on Day of Surgery - Gynaecology	61%	71%	60%			N/A				
Elective Ave LoS - General Surgery	3.3	February	3.0		3.3		4.0	3.6		
Elective Ave LoS - Orthopaedics	3.2		3.6		3.9		4.4	4.1		
Need & Prevention	Immunisation Uptake Rates (Quarterly)	95%	Qtr 3	87.5%			88.70%			
	Smoking Cessation (Quarterly)	5%		2.70%			4.32%			

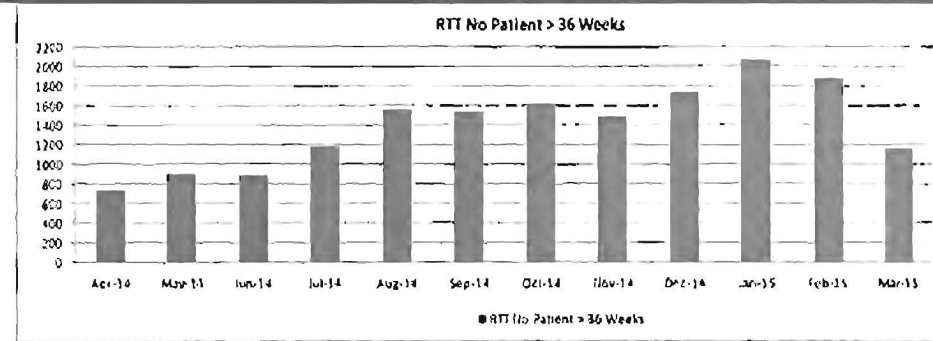
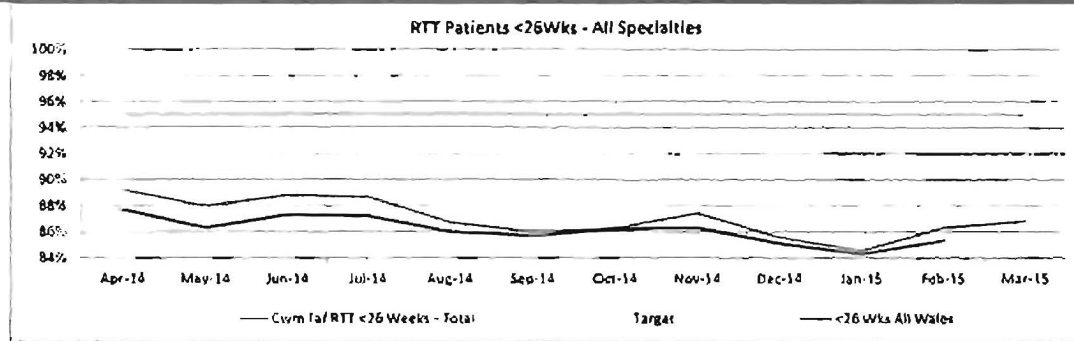


Cwm Taf UHB at a Glance

EXPERIENCE AND ACCESS		Standard	Current Month Data	Month Actual	YTD (April to March)	Forecast next month	Month Actual 2013	YTD (April to March) 2013	Data Quality Indicator	
Patient Safety	HAI - C.Diff in IP > 65 years	<= 92 cases FYE	March	3	101	R	8	81		
	HAI - MRSA	<= 8 cases FYE		0	15	R	1	14		
	Hand Hygiene Compliance	Improvement		95.7%			94.6%			
	Nutritional Assessment Compliance	Improvement		95.9%			96.0%			
	Spells with Pressure Sores (Decubitus Ulcers)	20% reduction against baseline 2013/14 No. Pts (cumulative)		February	14%	48%	G	-17%	18%	
					12	245	G	48	439	
	Surgical Site Infection Rates	Primary Hip Primary Knee Caesarean		Jan - Dec 14	1.1%	N/A	G	1.3%	N/A	
					0.9%	N/A	G	1.5%	N/A	
				January	2.1%	3%	R	3.3%	2.8%	
	Potential Hospital Acquired Thromboses	Improvement		March	33	169		15	N/A	
	Crude Mortality	Improvement		November	2.19%	N/A		2.49%	N/A	
	Risk Adjusted Mortality Index 2014	100		Rolling	N/A	121		N/A	N/A	
	Condition Specific - Heart Attack	reduction		12 months	N/A	4.5%		N/A	N/A	
	Condition Specific - Stroke	reduction		Dec 13 to	N/A	14.8%		N/A	N/A	
	Condition Specific - Fracture Neck of Femur	reduction		Nov 14	N/A	6.0%		N/A	N/A	
	Stroke First Hours Bundle	95% zero		March	100.0%	96.7%	G	100.0%	90.9%	
	Stroke First Day Bundle	95% zero			0/32	15/441		0/28	31/311	
	Stroke First 3 Days Bundle	95% zero			65.3%	65.6%	R	75%	54.7%	
	Stroke First 7 Days Bundle	95% zero			11/32	152/441		7/21	155/311	
	Stroke First 30 Days Bundle	95% zero			81.3%	95.3%	R	96.0%	73.4%	
Stroke First 90 Days Bundle	95.0% zero			6/32	21/441		1/27	91/311		
Stroke First 180 Days Bundle	95.0% zero			81.3%	94.2%	G	100.0%	81.0%		
Stroke First 365 Days Bundle	95.0% zero			6/32	30/441		0/28	65/311		
No of Complaints	reduce by YTD		January	73	696	R	55	484		
Mental Health Access - Care Treatment Plan Completion	90%		February	85.2%	85.9%	R	82%	72%		
Mental Health Access - LPMHSS Assessments within 28 days	80%			76.8%	69.15%	R	65.9%	70.40%		
Mental health Access - LPMHSS Therapeutic Interventions	90%			100.0%	97.4%	G	100.0%	92.90%		
Clinical Coding (by 31st March 2015)	98% within 12 weeks on rolling 12 months 2013/14		Apr 13 to Mar 14	N/A	N/A		N/A	99.2%	⊗	
	95% within 12 weeks of month end (in month)		November	96.6%	N/A	G	N/A		⊗	
Use of Resource										
Workforce	Workforce - Sickness Absence Rates	4.50%	January	6.10%			5.50%			
	PDR Compliance	100%	March	67.96%			57.9%			
	Consultant Appraisal	100%	January	55.1%			40%			
	I&E surplus (actual versus plan)	< 1% over plan < 0.5% over plan		February	-1.92%	1.20%		N/A		
Pay expenditure (actual versus plan)				1.72%	0.29%		N/A			
Finance	Non-pay expenditure (actual versus plan)	< 1% over plan	February	1.69%	1.38%		N/A			
	Efficiency savings (actual versus plan)	< 5% over plan		16.33%	41.56%		N/A			
	Capital expenditure (actual versus plan)	< +/- 5% of plan		38.52%	0.08%		N/A			
	30 day payment compliance % (No)	95% of total		95.10%	95.00%		N/A			
	30 day payment compliance % (£)	95% of total		83.90%	87.90%		N/A			

1. Measures in Escalation

Referral to Treatment Time (RTT)



The table below outlines by specialty the RTT performance against the 36 week target during 2014/15. The March performance shows a reduction in the numbers of patients waiting over 36 weeks from 1869 in February to 1155 at the end of March. As you can see, with the exception of Ophthalmology, up to October most specialties were making good progress towards achieving a compliant 36 week performance. Unfortunately that has been unbalanced by the unscheduled care pressures experienced during the winter period. However, the Health Board is committed to returning as many specialties as is possible to a zero position over 36 weeks.

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Specialty	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Orthopaedics	141	182	175	170	204	134	109	74	112	184	157	144
General Surgery	156	189	125	112	174	165	173	133	167	190	174	133
Urology	3	6	12	13	27	4	9	4	12	18	29	0
ENT	94	94	89	83	69	59	44	25	65	105	95	25
Ophthalmology	151	238	313	533	802	940	1113	1074	1165	1324	1162	751
Oral Surgery	168	163	135	127	146	145	143	128	137	133	97	84
Gynaecology	10	13	26	111	106	60	16	0	20	71	52	0
Cardiology	1	4	8	15	16	16	16	13	15	8	48	9
Rest Dentistry	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	3	14	7
Gastroenterology	11	11	5	9	14	16	5	13	18	18	20	2
Diagnostics	2	4	5	5	3	0	4	4	1	5	11	0
Respiratory	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	9	8	5	4	0
Anaesthetics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Dermatology	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	4	0
General Medicine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	18	0	1	0
Rheumatology	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Total	737	904	893	1178	1564	1541	1632	1487	1742	2066	1869	1155

Referral to Treatment Time (RTT) (cont)

Issues affecting performance

Reporting for March shows a decrease in the number of patients waiting over 36 weeks for treatment, from 1869 in February (reflected above), to 1174.

The main area for concern remains Ophthalmology, with 620 patients at stage 1 and 540 at stage 4. Plans are in place to increase the capacity for outpatients and ensure treatment of long waiting cataract patients.

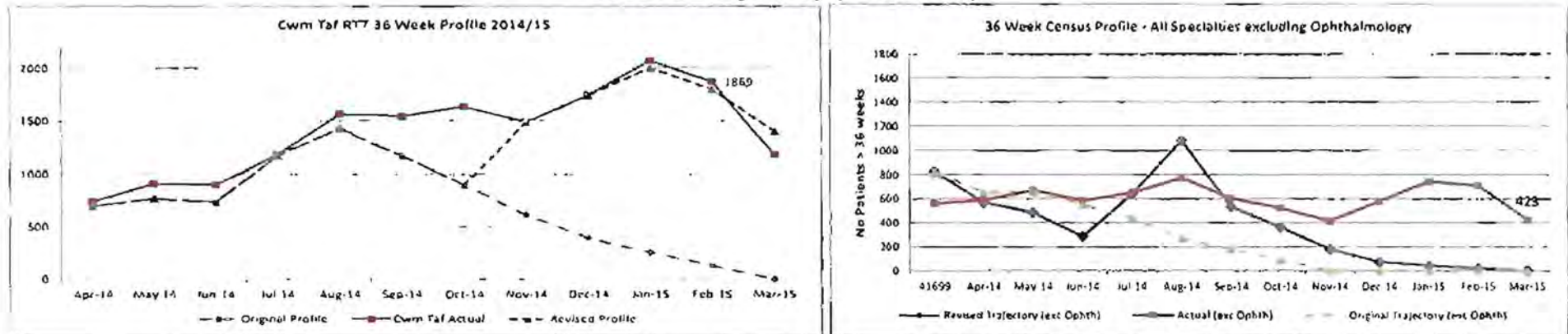
Agreed actions

- Develop comprehensive demand and capacity plans for delivery in 2015/16.
- Maintain treat in turn rates achieved during the last quarter of 2013/14.
- Improve the rate of back fill for lists not being utilised due to planned annual leave and study leave.
- Minimise use of additional theatre sessions at weekends.

WG Escalation

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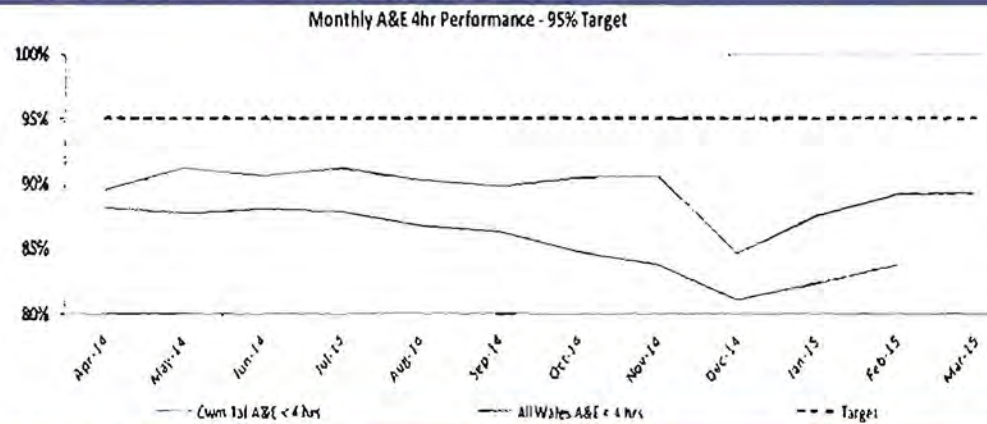
Revised Trajectory (submitted)



The graphs above depict the 36 week position for the end of February, with and without Ophthalmology. Unfortunately even with Ophthalmology excluded the actual improvement trajectory is above the target trajectory. Aside from Ophthalmology, where there are currently 404 patients waiting over 36 weeks, the main specialties remaining above profile are General Surgery (133 patients) and Orthopaedics (144 patients).

Indicator Level	Target	March 2015	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework	Zero 36 wk 95% less 26 wk	1155 86.8%	n/a		COO	30 th Nov 2014 31 st March 2015	

A&E 4 Hour Waits



Current Performance

< 4 hour - 89.3%%
 < 8 hour - 97.17%%
 No of Patients > 12 Hours - 134
 < 12 hour performance - 98.79%

Issues affecting performance

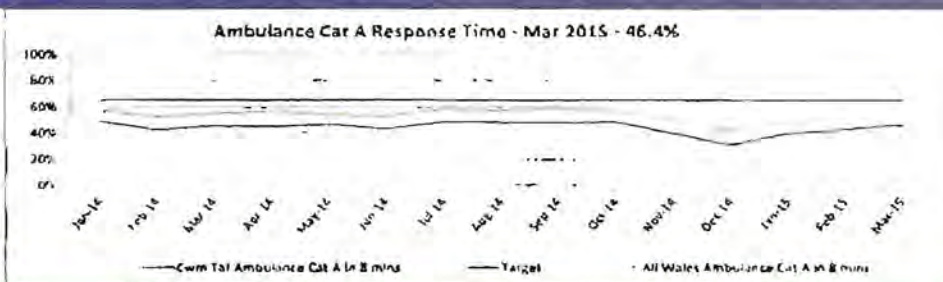
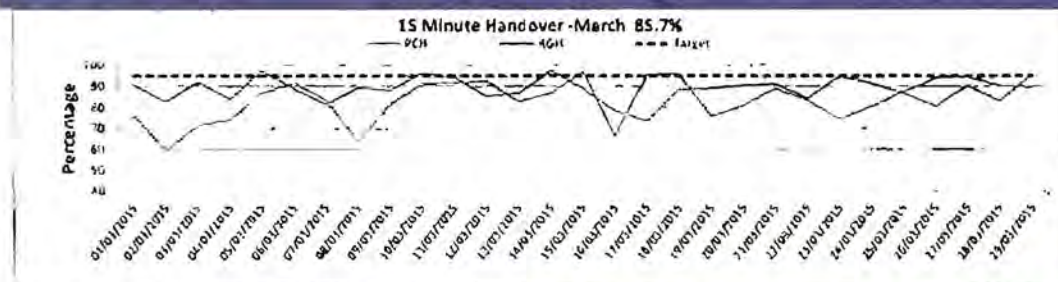
4, 8 and 12 hour performance across the Health Board continues to recover following the pressure experienced during December and January. It is envisaged that this improvement will continue as the sites become more stable.

Agreed actions

- Daily deep dive work on all acute and community wards continues.
- LA staff are present on both community sites as routine and patients waiting to transfer to community sites has reduced dramatically.
- Concentrated effort is now being made to improve 4 hour performance and eradicate 12 hour waits.

Indicator Level	Target	March	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework	95% treatment compliance within 4 hours	89.3%	89.55%		COO	31 st March 2015	

Ambulance Handover & CAT A Response



Issues affecting performance

Handover

Handover performance remains above 80% in the main although PCH has had episodes of performance around 70%. It appears the direct admissions to the clinical decision area presents problems as there is no handover screen in this area, resulting in delays in actually clearing the screen.

There have been a small number of long delays which are being investigated and appropriate action will be implemented to once again eradicate these.

Cat A

Cat A performance remains at a low level and there continues to be no correlation between the 15 min handover and CAT A performance. The Health Board is working closely with WAST colleagues in developing a PDSA cycle to ringfence resources within the Cwm Taf boundary. There will be a 24 hour and 48 hour test of this cycle in the next two weeks with a go live date of the end of March for a six week PDSA cycle.

The Health Board are also developing a PDSA cycle with WAST to provide alternative transport for GP admissions across Cwm Taf it is hoped this will also contribute to an improvement in the Cat A response times.

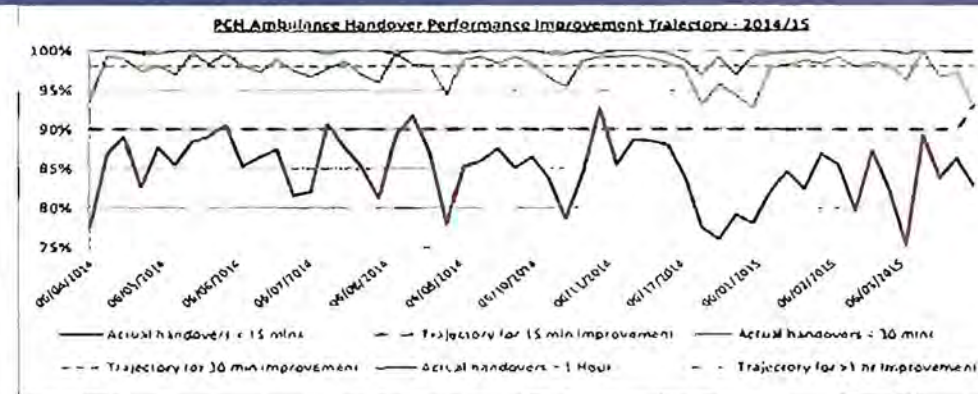
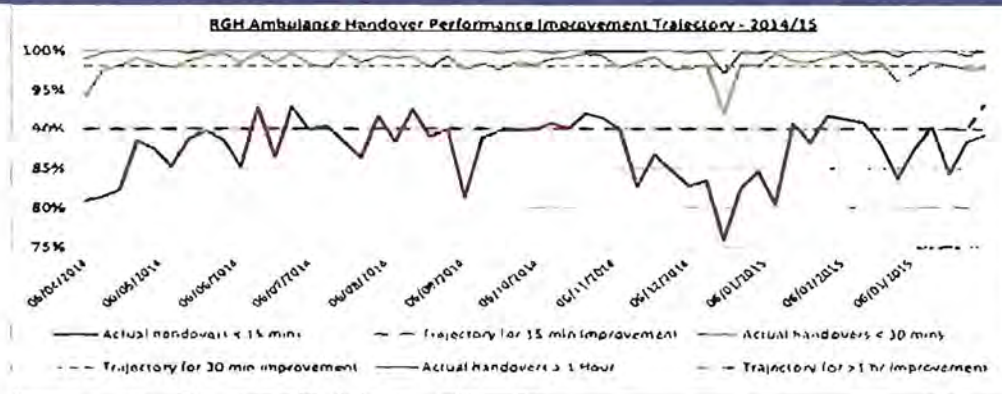
Indicator Level	Target	March	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework	95% within 15 minutes. Zero handovers > 1 hour	15 – 85.7% 60 – 99.9%	86.3% 99.8%		COO	31 st March 2015	
Delivery Framework	65% Cat A response times (with a stretch target of 70%).	46.4%	43.9%		COO	31 st March 2015	

Agreed actions

- Maintain focus on delivering and further improving the existing performance.
- Continue to work with WAST to monitor performance on response times to ensure that the improvement in handover times is translated into improvements for response times for Cwm Taf residents.
- Undertake two PDSA cycles and monitor success.
- Work with other HBs to assist in improvement of Cat A response times.

Commence work on nursing home calls for WAST. Almost 3/4 of calls relate to HCP call and falls. A new group will be set up to start to scope areas for improvement and alternatives to admission and ambulance contact.

Unscheduled Care Escalation



Month	PCH	RGH	Cwm Taf
April	84.45%	83.46%	83.93%
May	88.46%	88.10%	88.27%
June	85.22%	89.72%	87.54%
July	85.82%	88.69%	87.32%
August	85.83%	90.28%	88.16%
September	85.69%	87.90%	86.79%
October	85.21%	90.88%	88.19%
November	88.19%	87.37%	87.79%
December	79.67%	82.07%	80.95%
January	82.79%	87.54%	85.26%
February	84.08%	89.25%	86.72%
March	83.30%	88.01%	85.75%
Average for 2014/15	84.89%	87.77%	86.39%

The table opposite details the Health Boards performance against the 15 minute handover target on a monthly basis.

As above there has been an improvement in performance during January and February but performance has not recovered to the levels seen during the previous 6 months. Silver and gold command actions had a significant impact on the pressures experienced and there has been a significant improvement in patient flow as a result. Close monitoring of the HB position continues as there have been fairly significant infection control issues which have resulted in some A&E/ECC delays.

Indicator Level	Target 95%	February	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework	4 hour waits 15 min handover	89.17% 85.3%	89.55% 86.3%		COO	31 st March 2015	

Cancer 31 & 62 day target

Executive Lead:

Medical Director

31 day target

The 31 day target has been achieved for the month of January (100%).

62 day target

Feb 81.5%

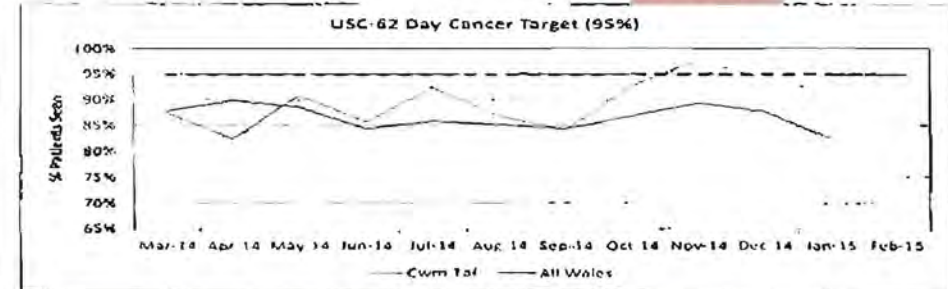
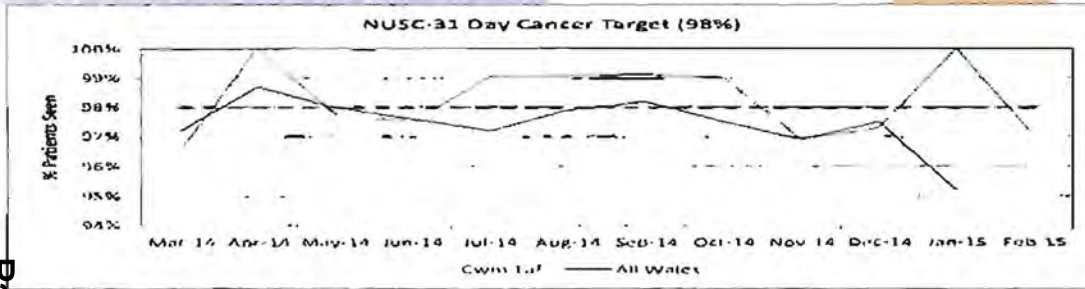
Forecast:

Feb 97%

The 62 day target has not been achieved for the month of January (91.5%).

YTD 89.5%

Expected date to achieve standard:



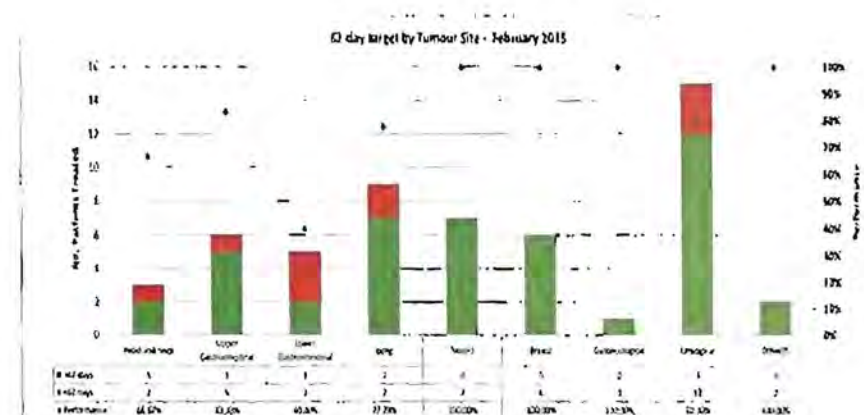
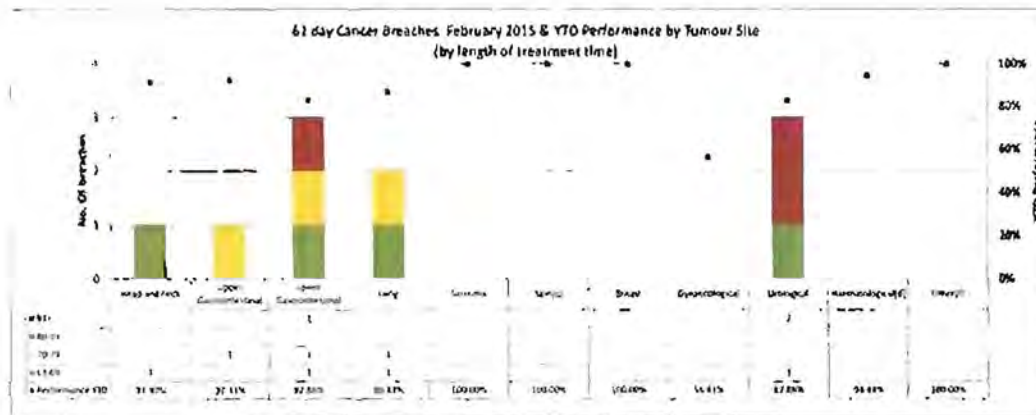
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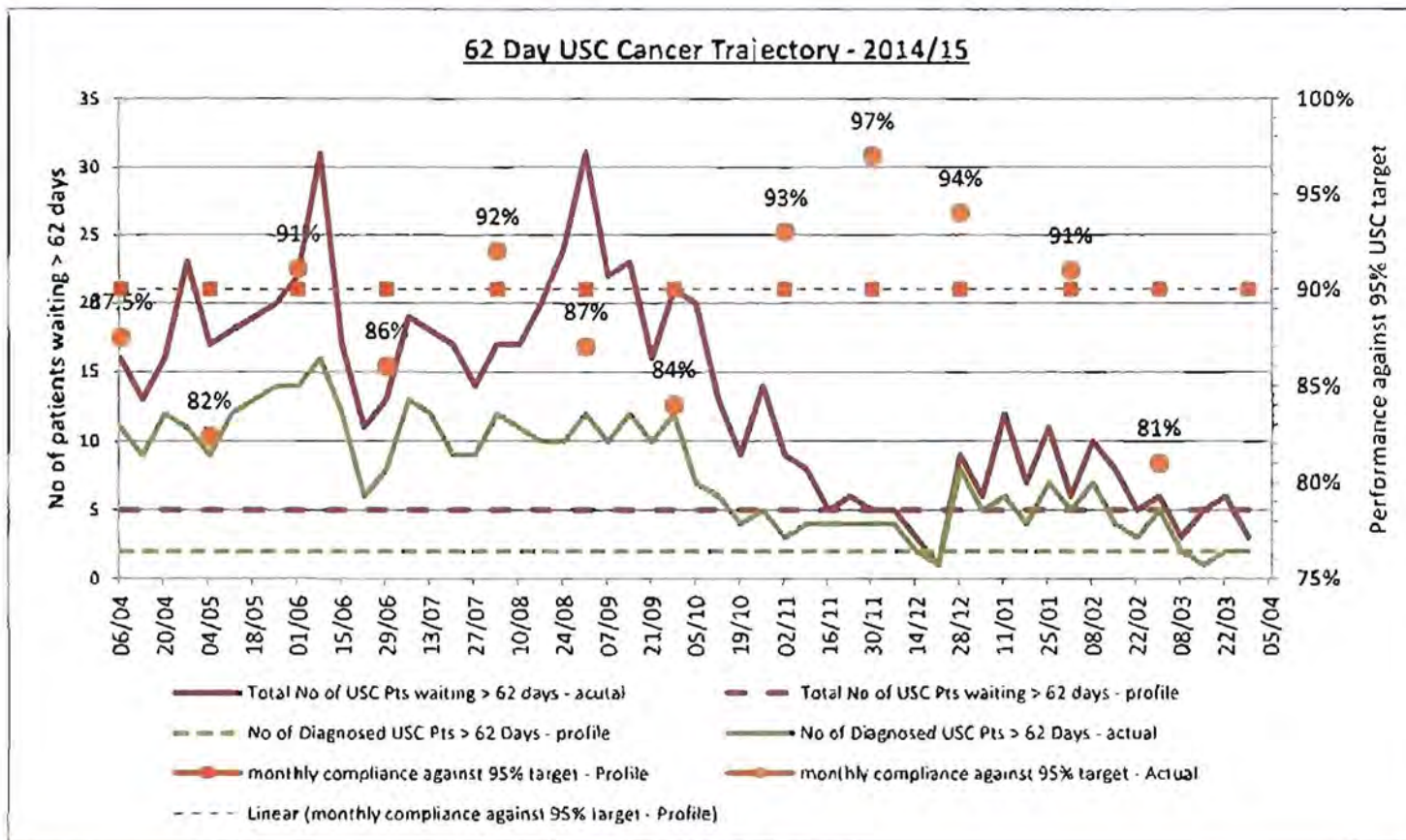
- Weekly meetings with each MDT management team to scrutinise suspected cancer patient lists.
- Ensure capacity flexibility to prioritise cancer patients appointments and treatments.
- Continue drive to increase downgrading of referrals not considered to be cancer.
- Increase dialogue and escalation with tertiary centres to speed up patient pathway events.

Issues causing performance

- Compliance with the 62 day target remains challenging for the Health Board due to the small number of patients treated. Internal pathway and capacity issues remain within the GI and Urology services. However, on a rolling monthly basis over 90% performance is being achieved consistently since October 2014, meeting WG agreed improvement.
- The compliance figures include those breaches where we referred on for tertiary treatment within 31 days. Capacity in UHW and Velindre is adversely impacting our performance.



Cancer 31 & 62 day target (cont)

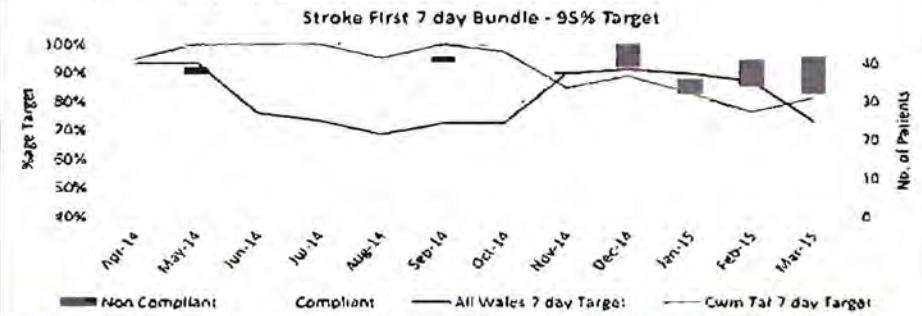
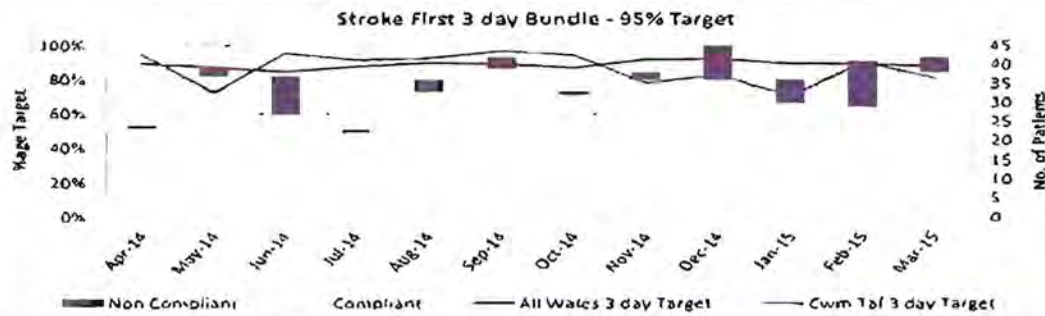
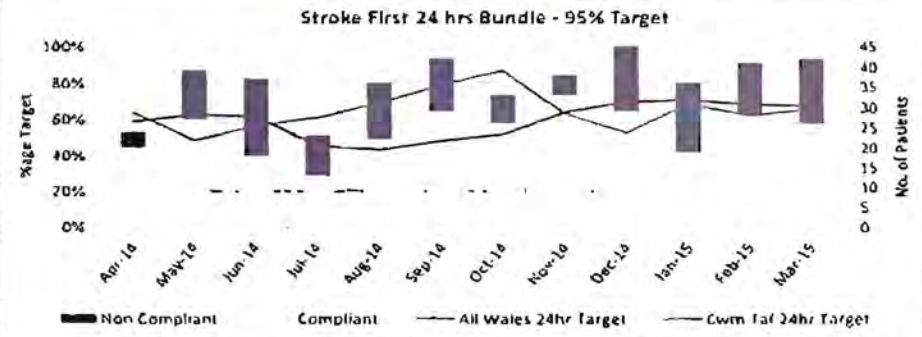
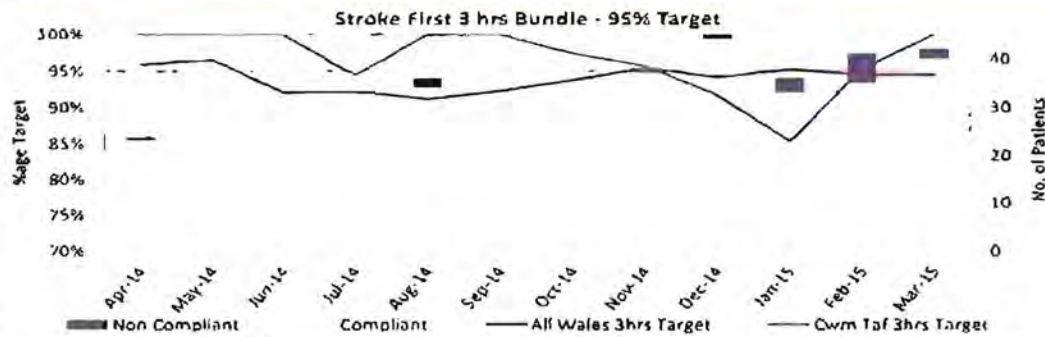


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WG Escalation

The Health Board made a commitment to Welsh Government that from October 2014, it would achieve and maintain a performance level of > 90% against the 62 day target. For the 5 months commencing October 2014 up to February 2015 inclusive, the overall performance achieved was 91.4%. The Health Board continues to strive to achieve 95% recognising that with small numbers of patients it is not an easy task.

Stroke Bundles



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Issues affecting performance

Bundle	32 Pts - Target 95%	Expected date to achieve target
First Hours (1)	100% (32/32 pts)	31 st March 15
First Day (2)	65.3% (21/32 pts)	31 st March 15
First 3 Days (3)	81.3% (26/32 pts)	31 st March 15
First 7 Days (4)	81.3% (26/32 pts)	31 st March 15

March 2015 saw an increase in compliance for bundle 2, however only to 65.3%, the main area of non-compliance being direct admission to the acute stroke unit at the Royal Glamorgan. This was adversely affected by a viral D&V outbreak which appropriately restricted all admissions to ward 12 for one week. The patients were assessed promptly on AMU by the stroke team, so the clinical care was not particularly compromised but there were difficulties in coordinating care effectively. In addition the sickness absence of the stroke specialist meant that patients were not seen until admitted to the stroke ward, where ideally they would be assessed in A&E.

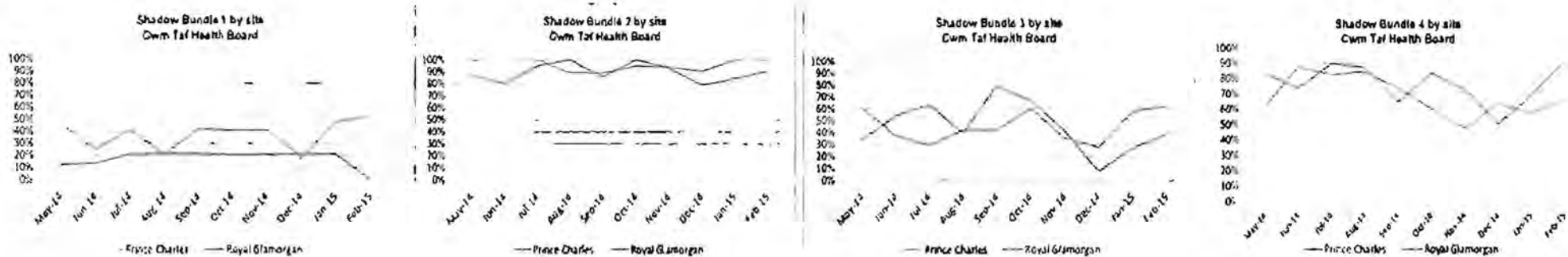
Bundle 3 was affected by physiotherapy staffing levels.

Stroke (Continued)

Comments

Shadow Stroke Bundles

The Health Board is now shadow reporting against a new set of bundles for acute stroke patients which are due to replace the current bundles from April 2015:



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The main change is the more challenging timeline in which the interventions are to be delivered eg: admission to the stroke ward within 4 hours rather than 24 hours. The following graphs show Cwm Taf's performance from May to December 2014; Cwm Taf is performing very well against bundle 2, the 12 hour target for CT scanning, whereas the other bundles are more challenging. It is envisaged that compliance against the shadow bundles will improve significantly with the implementation of the single site service from March 2015.

February's performance against the shadow stroke bundles improved slightly compared with January's, apart from bundle 1 which had improved at PCH but reduced significantly for RGH for the reasons outlined above :

	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15
1. < 4 Hours Bundle	24.30%	17.40%	30.60%	21.40%	33.30%	34.20%	28.30%	19.40%	35%	26.20%	
2. < 12 Hours Bundle	91.90%	87%	97.20%	95.20%	84.80%	97.40%	95.70%	86%	92.50%	95.20%	
3. < 24 Hours Bundle	43.20%	47.80%	47.20%	40.50%	57.60%	63.20%	39.10%	19.40%	42.50%	50%	
4. < 72 Hours Bundle	75.70%	78.30%	86.10%	85.70%	69.70%	71.10%	63%	58.30%	62.50%	78.60%	

2. NEED AND PREVENTION

Immunisation Uptake Rates (Children)

Vaccination of all children to age 4 with all scheduled vaccines:	Q1 2012/13	Q2 2012/13	Q3 2012/13	Q4 2012/13	Q1 2013/14	Q2 2013/14	Q3 2013/14	Q4 2013/14	Q1 2014/15	Q2 2014/15
% uptake rates of MMR at age 2 (95% target)	96.0%	94.7%	93.7%	95.9%	97.7%	98.6%	97.4%	97.5%	96.20%	95.90%
% uptake rates of MMR at age 5 (95% target)	96.3%	96.7%	96.2%	96.4%	97.6%	98.7%	97.4%	98.1%	97.40%	96.80%
% uptake rates of MMR at age 5 (2 doses) (95 % target)	91.3%	91.2%	90.0%	92.0%	93.4%	94.5%	92.3%	92.7%	94.40%	93.10%
% uptake rates of 5 in 1 vaccine at age 1 (95% target)	97.4%	97.0%	97.1%	97.5%	97.5%	96.6%	98.4%	97.5%	97.90%	95.40%
% uptake rates of 4 in 1 vaccine at age 5 (95% target)	93.2%	92.2%	88.9%	93.7%	93.5%	95.1%	93.5%	96.2%	95.40%	94.60%
% uptake rates of HPV 1 dose for girls at age 12-13 (90% target)	93.2%	94.0%	92.8%	92.8%	93.3%	93.7%	92.8%	93.7%	94.10%	93.10%
Tier 1 composite target, up to date in schedule by four years of age				86.3%	88.8%	89.7%	89.9%	91.2%	90.40%	87.60%

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Issues affecting performance

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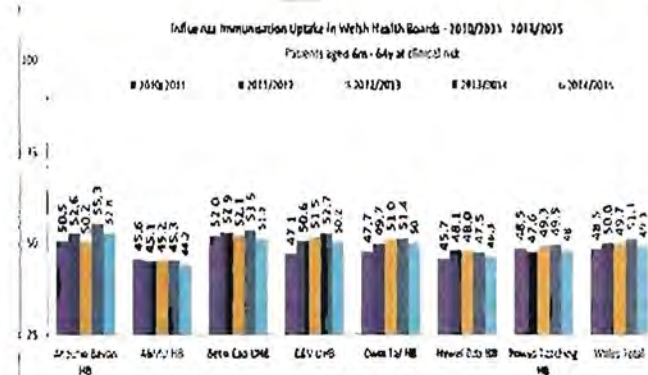
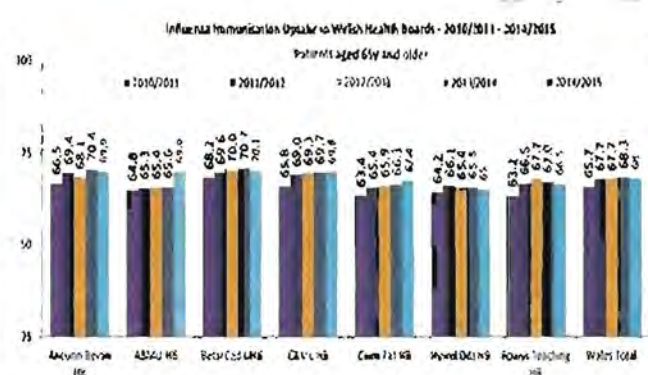
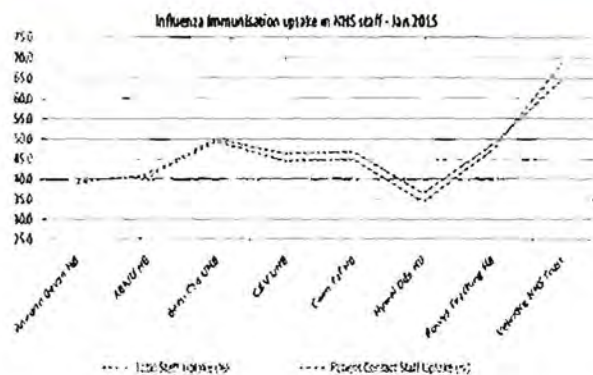
Quarters 1+2 have shown a slight fall in the uptake of childhood vaccines at key ages. This quarterly fall is apparent in all HBs to a greater or lesser extent. It is particularly apparent at one year of age, where quarterly uptake of the 5 in 1 combined vaccine for Wales has fallen below the 95% target for the first time in eight years.

Work is currently being planned for Quarters 3+4 to identify practices with lowest uptake. Subsequent practice visits will be arranged.

This fall is probably the result of the introduction of new vaccines into the schedule for rotavirus, influenza and shingles in summer and autumn 2013, this would have been a challenge to immunisation capacity in general practice. Children reaching their first birthday now were receiving their primary immunisations at that time.

Indicator Level	Target	Qtr 2 2014/15	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead	Expected date of compliance	Revised date of compliance
Delivery Framework	95%	87.60%	87.60%	94% by Qtr 4 2014/15	Director of Public Health	31 st March 15	

Immunisation Uptake Rates (Influenza)



Comments

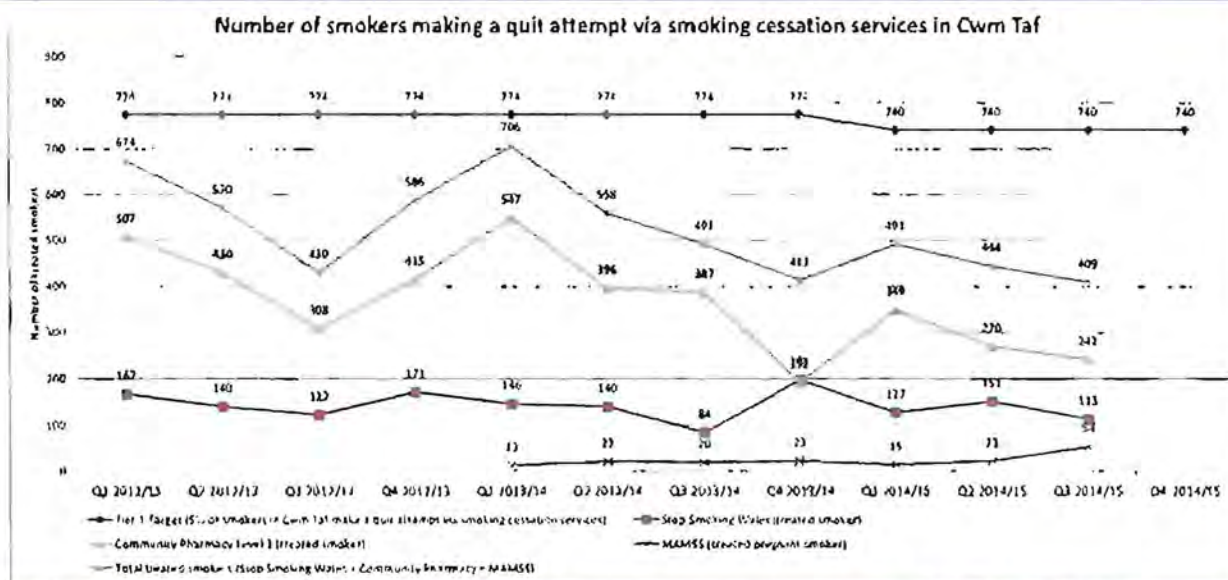
We are pleased at the level of staff uptake which increases year on year. Latest figures indicate that our uptake is approaching 45% of all staff compared to 41.1% last yr. It is important to note that this figure does not include the uptake by Bank staff, which if included would have achieved the target of 50%.

Uptake of flu immunisation in primary care for the over 65's has improved, 5 practices have reached the 75% target. There has been a slight decrease in under 65 at risk, more work needs to be undertaken in Primary Care to increase uptake.

Indicator Level	Target	January	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead	Expected date of compliance	Revised date of compliance
Delivery Framework	Under 65 at Risk : 75% Over 65 : 75%	50% 67.4%	50% 67.4%		Director of Public Health	31 st March 15 31 st March 15	

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Smoking Cessation



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Issues affecting performance

MAMSS – referrals into the maternal smoking cessation service continue to increase, with 30% of pregnant smokers treated in the last reporting quarter.
 Stop Smoking Wales –we are seeing an increase of referrals from secondary care based on intensive work we are undertaking with our clinicians. However, overall referrals into the service continue to fall; this trend is seen across Wales.
 Community pharmacy – the number of clients accessing support is still declining despite additional pharmacies engaging in the level 3 service. It is unclear if an increase in the use of e-cigarettes is a factor.

Agreed actions

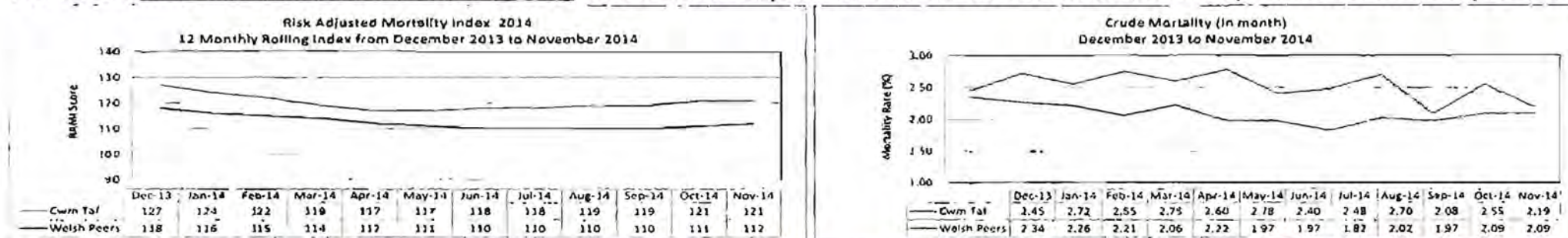
Meet monthly with SSW regarding performance targets.
 Continue to monitor the proportion of patients listed for surgery who want support to quit smoking.
 Maintain support for the recently recruited secondary care ward 'smoking champions'.
 Discuss additional marketing opportunities with the communication team to promote local support services.

Indicator Level	Target	December	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead	Expected date of compliance	Revised date of compliance
Delivery Framework	5% quit attempt	2.7%			Director of Public Health	31 st March 2015	

3. QUALITY AND SAFETY

RAMI/Mortality

Please see **Risk Adjusted Mortality Index (RAMI)** for a detailed explanation on the measurement and interpretation of mortality metrics.



Issues affecting performance

In order to provide a more up to date position for mortality index, the above graphs represent the position from an extrapolation of local data from CHKS.

Mortality and RAMI rely heavily on the completeness of clinical coding, the standard for which is for Health Boards to work towards achieving currently 95% at a 12 week rolling scale and 98% on a rolling 12 month scale by 31st March 2014. Cwm Taf is presently at 80% against the 95% target and 95.59% against the 98%.

Agreed actions

There are currently a number of specific quality improvement projects being undertaken:

- The systematic medical record reviews on the acute sites are continuing on weekly basis. Some delay due to bank holidays which is expected to be cleared shortly. The process is evolving in readiness for the medical examiner system expected in 2015.
- The systematic reviews of deaths in community hospitals commenced on a fortnightly basis.
- Mortality reviews are regularly undertaken at both acute A&E departments.
- Ongoing discussions with 1000 Lives improvement team regarding appropriate mortality indicators & interpretation.
- Thrombosis risk assessment & prophylaxis has been rolled out and Root Cause analysis form being finalised. First report indicated 13 cases of potential hospital associated thrombosis.
- Fractured NOF perioperative management, being led by the Director of Public Health.
- Anticoagulation management review is progressing with support of a project manager.

RAMI/Mortality (cont)

The table below shows crude mortality reflected by age band in comparison with the rest of Wales:

Cwm Taf Crude Mortality Rates by Age Profile																				
Period	0 - 15 years				16 - 44 years				45 - 64 years				65 - 74 years				75+ years			
	Deaths	Spells	Cwm Taf	Welsh Peers	Deaths	Spells	Cwm Taf	Welsh Peers	Deaths	Spells	Cwm Taf	Welsh Peers	Deaths	Spells	Cwm Taf	Welsh Peers	Deaths	Spells	Cwm Taf	Welsh Peers
Apr-13	1	954	0.10%	0.09%	4	1456	0.27%	0.10%	27	1212	2.23%	0.97%	46	846	5.44%	2.13%	138	1396	9.89%	6.53%
May-13	0	914	0.00%	0.09%	2	1680	0.12%	0.08%	24	1436	1.67%	0.69%	31	969	3.20%	1.79%	93	1474	6.31%	5.78%
Jun-13	0	818	0.00%	0.15%	0	1741	0.00%	0.07%	15	1274	1.18%	0.75%	26	923	2.82%	1.81%	88	1290	6.82%	5.17%
Jul-13	0	865	0.00%	0.10%	3	1772	0.17%	0.08%	15	1414	1.06%	0.71%	21	981	2.14%	1.53%	98	1449	6.76%	4.60%
Aug-13	0	652	0.00%	0.14%	1	1770	0.06%	0.08%	16	1355	1.18%	0.79%	33	928	3.56%	1.73%	106	1350	7.85%	4.90%
Sep-13	1	754	0.13%	0.13%	1	1663	0.06%	0.04%	13	1300	1.00%	0.65%	30	891	3.37%	1.71%	102	1324	7.70%	5.08%
Oct-13	0	951	0.00%	0.13%	0	1913	0.00%	0.06%	18	1525	1.18%	0.72%	40	1082	3.70%	1.64%	94	1562	6.02%	5.05%
Nov-13	0	1030	0.00%	0.03%	0	1789	0.00%	0.07%	14	1511	0.93%	0.81%	38	1081	3.52%	1.77%	119	1447	8.22%	5.80%
Dec-13	0	957	0.00%	0.05%	4	1619	0.25%	0.12%	18	1356	1.33%	0.68%	17	995	1.71%	1.97%	119	1512	7.87%	6.18%
Jan-14	0	858	0.00%	0.07%	4	1815	0.22%	0.08%	18	1427	1.26%	0.85%	32	1041	3.07%	1.84%	125	1449	8.63%	5.80%
Feb-14	0	879	0.00%	0.07%	1	1613	0.06%	0.07%	11	1334	0.82%	0.81%	33	950	3.47%	1.59%	111	1339	8.29%	5.77%
Mar-14	1	960	0.10%	0.09%	5	1818	0.28%	0.09%	23	1509	1.52%	0.76%	31	1075	2.88%	1.61%	126	1391	9.06%	5.46%
Apr-14	0	863	0.00%	0.10%	3	1658	0.18%	0.08%	19	1329	1.43%	0.83%	26	986	2.64%	1.90%	115	1430	8.04%	5.71%
May-14	0	812	0.00%	0.05%	4	1743	0.23%	0.07%	25	1453	1.72%	0.69%	38	1025	3.71%	1.81%	112	1398	8.01%	5.14%
Jun-14	0	843	0.00%	0.10%	5	1744	0.29%	0.08%	21	1499	1.40%	0.65%	33	1024	3.22%	1.65%	97	1398	6.94%	5.13%
Jul-14	0	800	0.00%	0.07%	3	1826	0.16%	0.06%	17	1485	1.14%	0.64%	28	1129	2.48%	1.39%	122	1624	7.51%	4.78%
Aug-14	1	594	0.17%	0.02%	3	1686	0.18%	0.07%	17	1396	1.22%	0.87%	24	952	2.52%	1.84%	117	1382	8.47%	5.03%
Sep-14	0	827	0.00%	0.04%	8	1785	0.45%	0.09%	19	1421	1.34%	0.75%	23	1009	2.28%	1.58%	82	1302	6.30%	5.17%
Oct-14	1	883	0.11%	0.18%	5	1973	0.25%	0.13%	19	1598	1.19%	0.66%	33	1091	3.02%	1.67%	119	1409	8.45%	5.46%
Nov-14	1	934	0.11%	0.08%	0	1757	0.00%	0.07%	14	1434	0.98%	0.77%	29	968	3.00%	1.67%	96	1301	7.38%	5.44%
Dec-14	0	1101	0.00%	0.09%	1	1415	0.07%	0.08%	19	1251	1.52%	0.93%	40	1000	4.00%	2.30%	146	1429	10.22%	6.63%
Jan-15	0	838	0.00%	0.07%	2	1678	0.12%	0.11%	20	1371	1.46%	0.89%	36	1017	3.54%	2.40%	158	1429	11.06%	7.77%
Feb-15	0	826	0.00%	0.12%	2	1590	0.13%	0.08%	27	1497	1.80%	0.89%	26	967	2.69%	1.87%	119	1291	9.22%	6.53%

Observations

- 0-15 years – the Health Board is on par with the All Wales mortality with very few deaths.
- 16-44 years – the Health Board reports higher % mortality than All Wales. A drilldown on the individual patients indicates this relates to those with a diagnosis of cancer.
- 45-64 years – the Health Board reports a more significantly higher level of mortality than other age group. This includes a case mix of cancer and drug & alcohol related deaths.
- 65-74 years – the Health Board reports a higher % than All of Wales. A high proportion of patients coded with palliative care, pneumonia, stroke.
- 75+ years – the Health Board reports a high number of deaths. CHKS records excess deaths of 315. Age 75 to 90 (663 deaths), which include pneumonias (lung diseases), stroke, heart failure, palliative care. Age 91 to 100 (179 deaths), which includes pneumonia, heart failure, palliative. Age 100+ (10 deaths) oldest being 106, which includes pneumonia, sepsis and other age related diseases.

RAMI/Mortality (cont)

Acute Hospital Deaths						Cwm Taf Mortality Review 2014/15	Community Hospital Deaths					
Quarter 1 Apr - Jun		Quarter 2 Jul - Sep		Quarter 3 Oct - Dec			Quarter 1 Apr - Jun		Quarter 2 Jul - Sep		Quarter 3 Oct - Dec	
Number of deaths	% of deaths	Number of deaths	% of deaths	Number of deaths	% of deaths		Number of deaths	% of deaths	Number of deaths	% of deaths	Number of deaths	% of deaths
390	-	353	-	421	-	Number of deaths subject to review	86	-	66	-	79	-
384	98%	344	97%	350	83%	Total reviews	85	99%	64	97%	55	70%
316	82%	299	87%	305	86%	Stage 1 only	81	94%	62	97%	52	95%
68	18%	49	13%	45	14%	Referred for Stage 2	4	6%	2	3%	3	5%
50	74%	46	94%	29	64%	Stage 2 complete	4	100%	2	100%	2	67%
10	3%	11	3%	4	1%	Referred for Stage 3	1	1%	1	2%	1	2%
51 days		28 days		19 days		Average time from death to Stage 1 review	72 days		61 days		34 days	
145 days		43 days		33 days		Average time from death to Stage 2 review	87 days		111 days		73 days	
92 days		16 days		23 days		Average time from Stage 1 to Stage 2 review	42 days		32 days		46 days	

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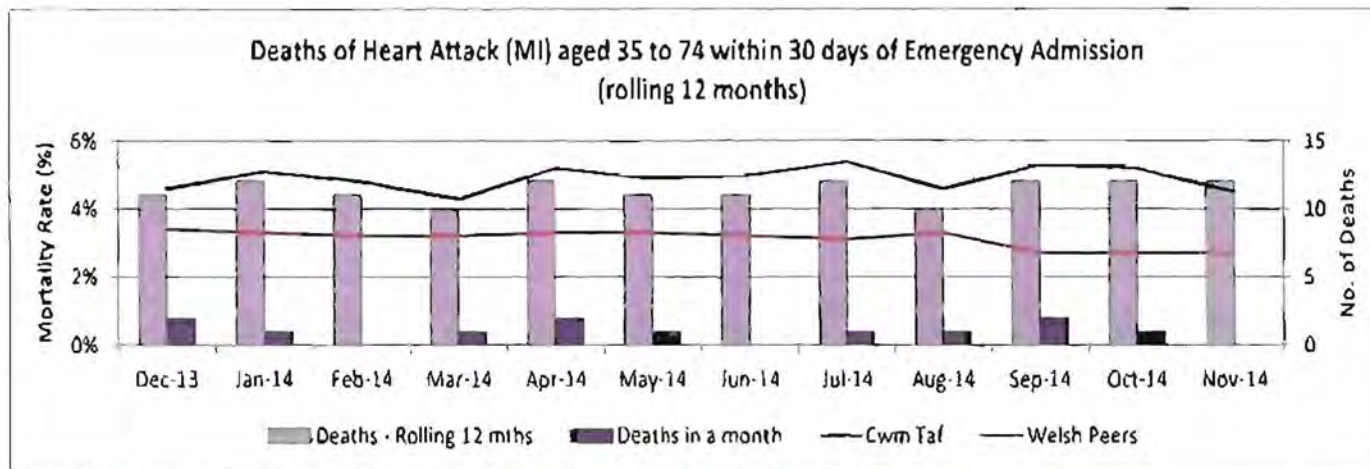
These figures demonstrate that, for our acute hospitals, there has been an improvement in performance. This is illustrated by the reduced time taken for cases to flow through the review system at all stages. This is partly due to the pilot of the medical examiner system by two pathologists performing a proportion of stage 1 (Universal Mortality Review - UMR) reviews at the time of death certification and therefore identifying cases for Stage 2 within days of the death. It is also partly because of a steady increase in participation at Stage 2 by a range of clinicians in the Health Board, but notably from the Medical Directorate.

The numbers for community are probably too low to draw any particular conclusion but the process has benefitted from having been developed from the acute model where the lessons around practical implementation have been learned.

There are continued risks to the performance, in particular, the support from primary care at Stage 1 is too patchy and subject to staff shortages reported in that workforce.

Indicator Level	Target	November	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead	Expected date of compliance	Revised date of compliance
Delivery Framework	Continuous Improvement	122	122		Medical Director	N/A	

Condition Specific Mortality – Heart Attack



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Issues affecting performance

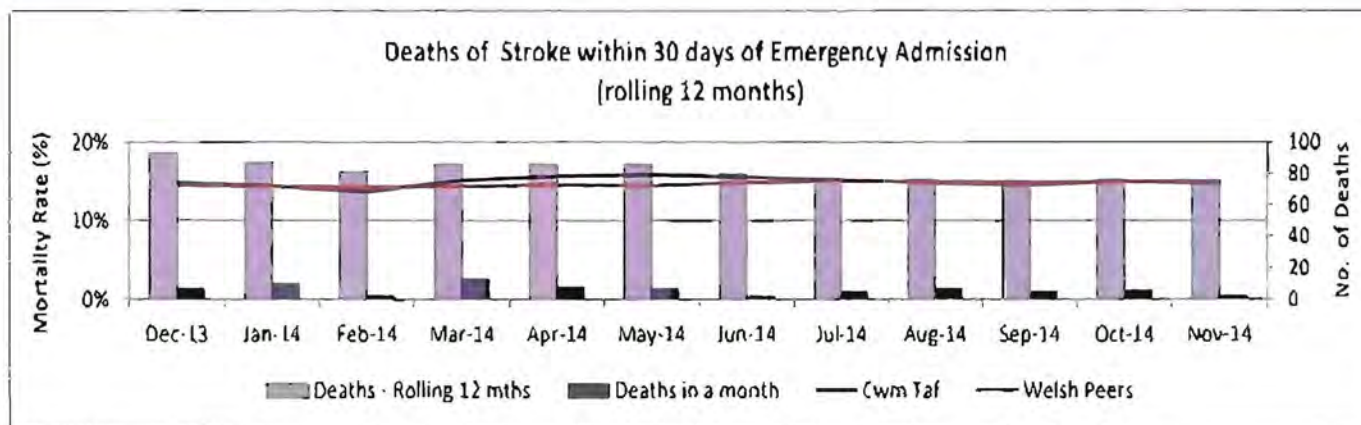
- It should be noted that there is a Networking arrangement in place for acute coronary intervention for Cwm Taf patients. An audit undertaken in June 2013 has shown that there is a risk of this resulting in a delay in the patients receiving the intervention they require.
- Unlike other Health Boards, there is no specific on-call service for Cardiology at Cwm Taf. Cardiologists form part of the General Medicine intake which means there is no 24/7 cardiac service on either acute DGH.
- Low numbers of cases can affect percentages.

Agreed actions

- MINAP post-STEMI mortality data is expected to be available on hospital basis shortly.
- There is a higher risk for CVD in Cwm Taf < 74 years old patients due to higher incidence of smoking, high blood pressure, obesity and type 2 diabetes.

Indicator Level	Target	November	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead	Expected date of compliance	Revised date of compliance
Delivery Framework	Continuous Improvement	4.5%	N/A		Medical Director	N/A	

Condition Specific Mortality - Stroke



Issues affecting performance

Small instances of deaths within stroke can cause significant fluctuations in the RAMI.
 The compliance with the Intelligent Stroke targets is also used to inform the mortality reviews in stroke patients and further redesign work to centralise the Stroke services at Cwm Taf continues.
 Low numbers of cases can affect percentages.

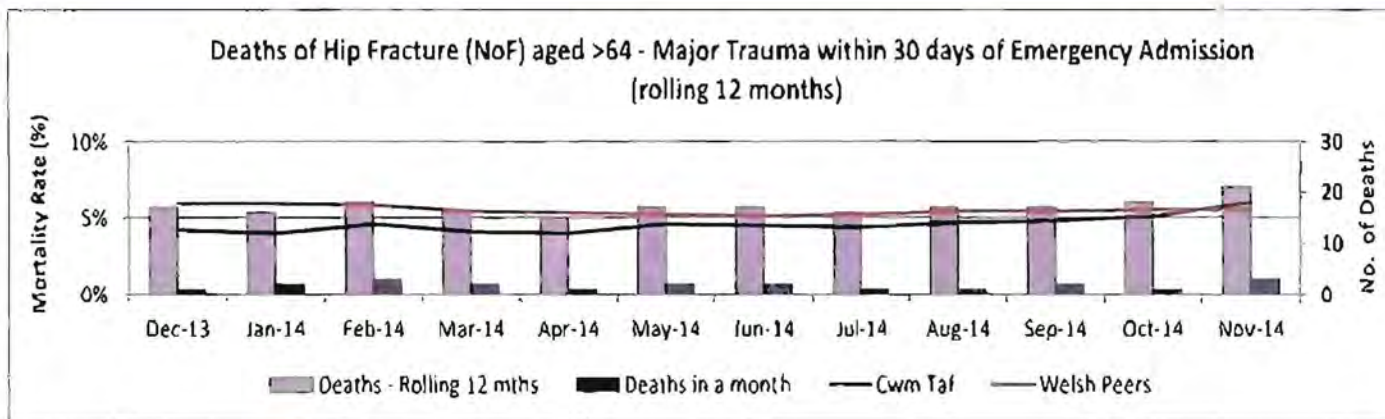
Agreed actions

- Recent improvements in performance are as a result of improved patient flow in general.
- There is now a dedicated stroke bed on the ward, which has been successfully ring-fenced.
- There are now 24/7 thrombolysis services.

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Indicator Level	Target	November	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead	Expected date of compliance	Revised date of compliance
Delivery Framework	Continuous Improvement	15.9%	N/A		Medical Director	N/A	

Condition Specific Mortality - #NOF



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Issues affecting performance

Work is ongoing to improve outcomes in fractured neck of femur (#NOF), using an approach targeted at different elements of the pathway. This includes:

- Work with WAST for pre admission elements eg improved analgesia.
- Monitoring of delays in A&E to reduce these.
- Prioritising these patients to enable speedy access to theatre.
- Determining how to improve ortho-geriatric input.

Agreed actions

- Fracture Neck of femur is prioritised on the emergency list on Saturday and Sunday (supported by the anaesthetic department).
- Implement a ring fenced cubicle on the ward for Fracture Neck of femur patients.
- Improved rates of local block in A&E.

Again, small numbers at a local level will result in more variation at UHB level than would be seen at all Wales level.

Indicator Level	Target	November	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead	Expected date of compliance	Revised date of compliance
Delivery Framework	Continuous Improvement	5.5%	N/A		Medical Director	N/A	

Clinical Coding (Completeness)

Coding Completeness	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Total 2013/14
Episodes	7873	8392	7577	8245	7603	7369	8803	8545	8138	8403	7839	8578	97365
Uncoded	70	68	46	72	47	60	57	57	71	79	54	83	764
% Coded Cwm Taf	99.1%	99.2%	99.4%	99.1%	99.4%	99.2%	99.4%	99.3%	99.1%	99.1%	99.3%	99.0%	99.2%
% Coded All Wales	98.5%	98.9%	98.9%	98.8%	98.7%	98.5%	98.5%	98.3%	97.9%	97.4%	97.0%	94.6%	98.0%
Coding Completeness	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Total 2014/15
Episodes	8121	8264	8289	8703	7638	8159	8810	7987	0	0	0	0	65971
Uncoded	21	55	117	159	137	190	215	274	0	0	0	0	1168
% Coded Cwm Taf	99.7%	99.3%	98.6%	98.2%	98.2%	97.7%	97.6%	96.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	98.2%
% Coded All Wales	97.5%	96.1%	93.8%	91.4%	91.1%	90.1%	88.5%	84.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	91.6%

Expected performance:

The chart demonstrates that as an organisation we continue to code the remaining backlog for 2013/14 albeit progress has slowed towards completing the year, currently at 99.2%.

Progress continues to be made in meeting the 95% in month target as is demonstrated in the chart above. The latest reported month, November 2014 is recording 96.6% complete.

The rolling 12 months target of 98% from December 2013 to November 2014 is currently at 98.53%.

The reported position and the ongoing monitoring of productivity of the coding team are contributing towards meeting the standard and progress is being made towards a sustainable delivery of targets.

Issues affecting Performance:

Issues affecting Performance

- 1 member of staff commenced maternity leave on 30/10/2014 (ongoing), 2 WTE Sickness Absence.
- An audit of missing case notes, and case notes not appropriately tracked has started w/c 3 November. The first report will be finalised in April.
- Continuing overtime for Clinical Coders, Administrative and Agency Staff to support the department absences, and to support the administration function of retrieving the case notes for the coding process.

Agreed actions: (Planned and Commenced)

- Development of a Clinical Coding dashboard to measure key performance indicators is in draft form of which will be in conjunction with the Qlik Sense implementation(Continuing)
- Monitor closely trajectory to meet target for 2014/15 reviewing weekday and weekend productivity levels. Include in the trajectory the known planned absences.
- Clinical Coding Audit being undertaken by the Classifications Standards Manager and the organisations Internal Auditor, waiting reports.
- Three Clinical Coders sat the Accredited Clinical Coding exam in March 2015, results expected in August 2015.

Indicator Level	Target 2014	November	98% Rolling 12 Mths (95% Target Previously Achieved)	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework	95% in mth @ 12 Wks 98% rolling 12mth	96.6% 98.5%	98%		Director of Planning & Performance	31 st March 2015	

Clinical Coding (Quality)

DATA QUALITY INDICATOR <i>(source:CHKS)</i>	2012/13		2013/14		2014/15 <i>(April to November 2014)</i>	
	CTUHB	Welsh Peers	CTUHB	Welsh Peers	CTUHB	Welsh Peers
Data Quality & Completeness Index	93.5%	93.9%	94.9%	94.7%	94.2%	92.4%
Blank Primary Diagnosis	0.41%	1.55%	1.05%	1.46%	1.73%	4.14%
Invalid Primary Diagnosis	0.26%	0.49%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Unacceptable Primary Diagnosis	0.29%	0.53%	0.04%	0.05%	0.06%	0.04%
Diagnosis Non-specific	16.19%	14.37%	15.54%	14.82%	15.12%	15.41%
Procedure Code Invalid	0.00%	0.00%			0.00%	0.00%
Sign & Symptom as a Primary Diagnosis	11.11%	11.34%	10.86%	14.70%	13.67%	11.64%

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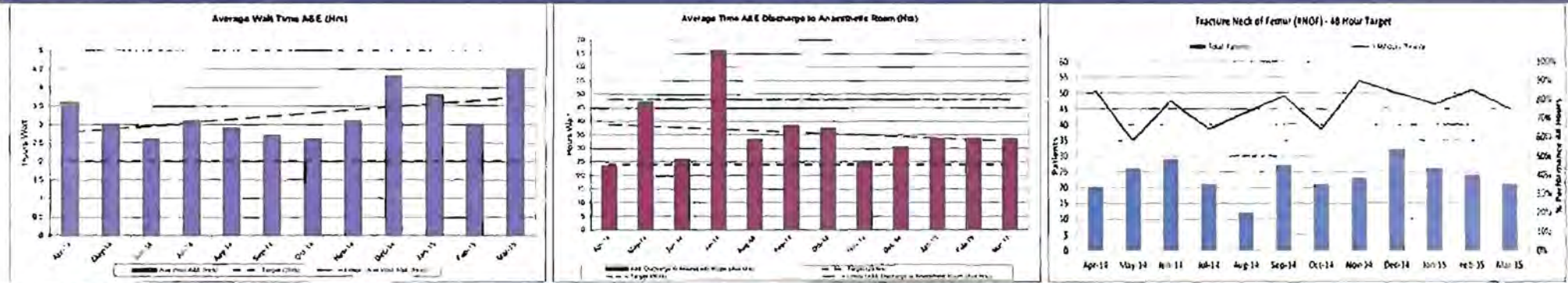
Comments

Routinely data quality of clinical coding is measured by CHKS, the NHS Wales Benchmarking Service. The table above outlines Cwm Taf's position in comparison with rest of Wales in relation to some key data quality indicators. Coding completeness is the main contributor to the quality index, which is why our performance is lower than the all Wales position. However unlike last month there has been slippage in performance compared to the All Wales position. On review of this change in performance the following was identified:

- The coding of high volume emergency General Medicine admissions, especially discharges from the Clinical Decisions Units, is prioritised. Whilst this information is available electronically, in many cases there is no specific or conclusive diagnosis made and is therefore coded as such.
- Due to pressures of work and annual leave the Coding Manager has not undertaken the routine data quality analysis and update of information. This has been discussed and an action in place to ensure that this quality review is firmly embedded in daily duties.

The CHKS Data Quality Index is based on three elements scores for coding completeness, correctness and coding richness. Each record starts with a data quality score of 1 which then has deductions applied depending on the data. Un-coded episodes have a data quality score of zero. In terms of the table above and the measures recorded "invalid primary diagnosis" and "unacceptable primary diagnosis" were affected with the introduction of the update to ICD10 and the changes to some of the coding rules in June 2012. These two areas have shown acceptable improvement. The improvement work is ongoing and is recorded as part of the detailed action plan following the recent WAO audit reports progress is monitored closely at the Clinical Coding Improvement Group (CCIG).

Fractured Neck of Femur (#NOF)



Issues affecting performance

The Health Board is currently measuring two elements of the #NOF pathway

- The time it takes the patient to move through the ECC, currently given a target of 2 hours
- The time from discharge from the ECC to the patient arriving at the operating theatre. This is currently being measured against two targets; 24 hours and 48 hours.

This graphs show the performance each week against both targets. The average wait in A&E has unfortunately increased over the last 12 month period, although it has improved since the implementation of this measure overall.

Agreed actions

Following discussion with the Clinical Director for Trauma and Orthopaedics, it has been agreed that we will expand these metrics to also include those recommended by those bodies governing the National Hip Fracture Database, which will allow benchmarking between orthopaedic units nationally. Initially we will include:

- Admission to an orthopaedic ward within 4 hours,
- Surgery within 48 hours and during working hours - since the beginning of January the Health Board has achieved 85% against this measure which is comparable to the national achievement of 86% in 2013. Further work will be done to produce this information over the last two years for completeness.

In the longer term we will also seek to include the following, which will give a complete view of the #NOF service at Cwm Taf:

- Patients developing pressure ulcers
- Pre-operative assessment by an ortho-geriatrician
- Discharged on bone protection medication,
- Received a falls assessment prior to discharge

Work has been undertaken to reduce overall length of stay, which improves outcomes, and eases bed pressures.

Indicator Level	Target (Improvement)	March	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Focus On Programme	2 hour 24 hour	4.5 hrs 33.6 hrs			Director of Public Health	N/A	

Healthcare Acquired Infections

	Target FYE	Target (YTD)	YTD (March)
C-difficile	93	93	98
MRSA	8	8	15

	Forecast Next Month	Expected Date to Achieve Standard
C.Difficile		31 st March 2015
MRSA		31 st March 2015

Executive Lead Director of Nursing

The source for monitoring progress against this target is the monthly WHAIP report. The graphical representation of this information has changed to that previously shown. This now illustrates infection rates per 1,000 hospital admissions rather than the flat number of infections. This is published for an 18 month period from April 14 to September 15. The target above is pro-rata over 18 months. Note there is now no target for MSSA but this will continued to be monitored locally. The figures above represents total number of cases in the HB, not all necessarily Healthcare associated.

Issues affecting performance

The reduction in C-difficile cases in Feb was not sustained in the month of Mar as hoped, and the numbers of cases have increased again. For the financial year 2014-15, we have had a 25% increase in C-difficile cases from 81 in the previous year to 101. This is the first year which we have seen a significant rise in number of cases since 2010/11 (4 years).

The total MRSA cases for the year is 15 which is static from last year's (14 cases) with no reduction of cases. Two of these cases were line associated – preventable HCAI. We have already exceeded the WG's 18 months Target of 12 cases, 12 months into the surveillance.

Agreed actions

- Increase hand washing audits within effected clinical areas.
- Deliver education & training for IV line management
- Implemented care bundles which will be monitored & audited.
- Good Antimicrobial Stewardship - reducing the need for antibiotic prescription where not indicated, targeting narrow spectrum therapy according to clinical findings & investigations; reviewing antibiotic prescription 24-48 hrs after starting & de-escalating treatment where appropriate. CDI RCAs (root cause analysis) have shown a recurring theme of probable poor antimicrobial stewardship practices.

Chart 1. Cwm Taf University Health Board monthly numbers of C. difficile, for the period Apr 10 to Mar 15

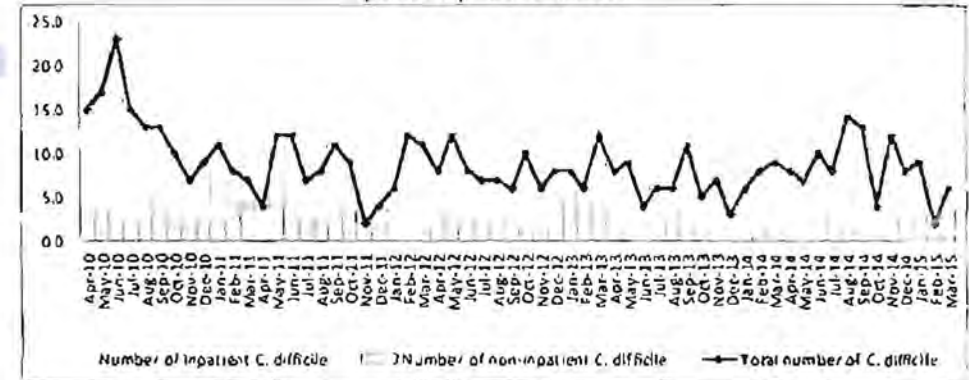
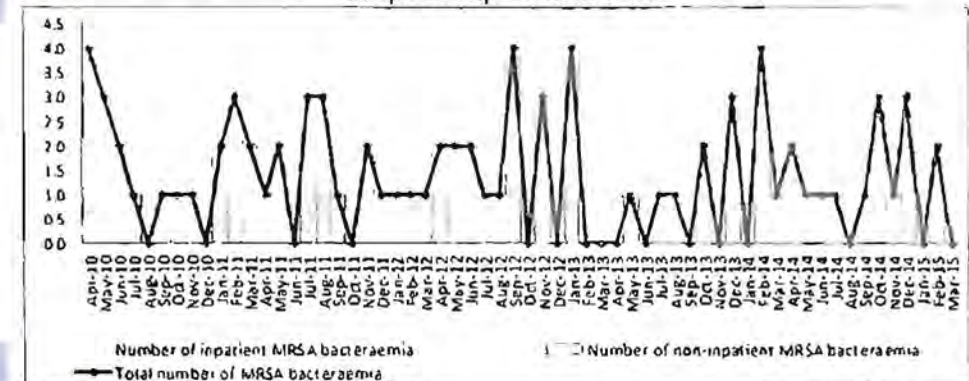
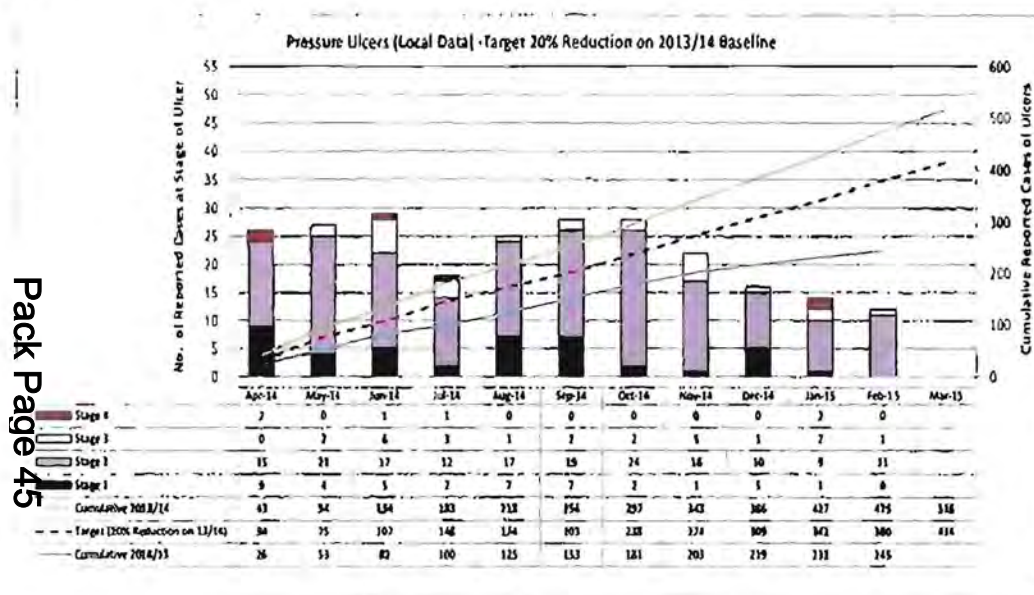


Chart 1. Cwm Taf University Health Board monthly numbers of MRSA bacteraemia, for the period Apr 10 to Mar 15



Elimination of Pressure Sores

Improvement work has been progressed to strengthen compliance with accurate recording of grading of Healthcare Acquired Pressure Ulcers (HAPUs). From April 2014, all HAPU data will be reported via the Fundamentals of Care system, utilising the incident reporting system DATIX to triangulate the information for quality assurance purposes. The graph illustrates the instances of HAPU broken down by the 4 grades of pressure ulcer.



Agreed actions:

The HAPU task and finish group is continuing to review the reporting and monitoring of HAPUs:

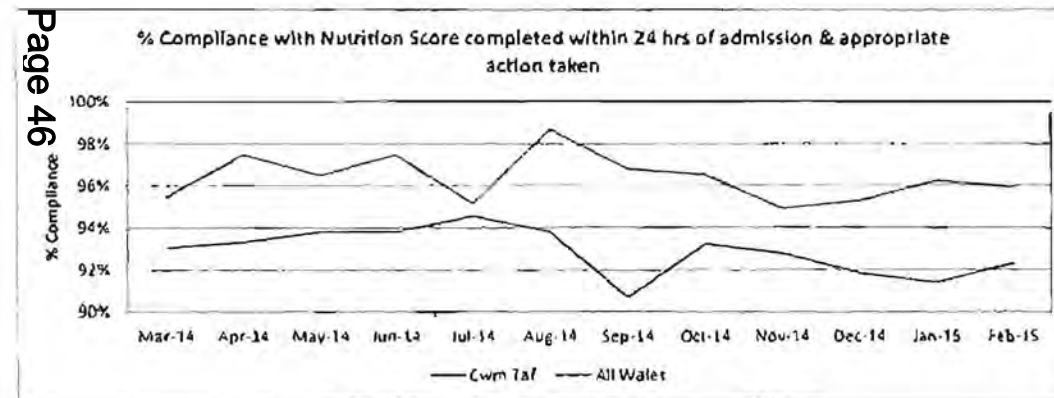
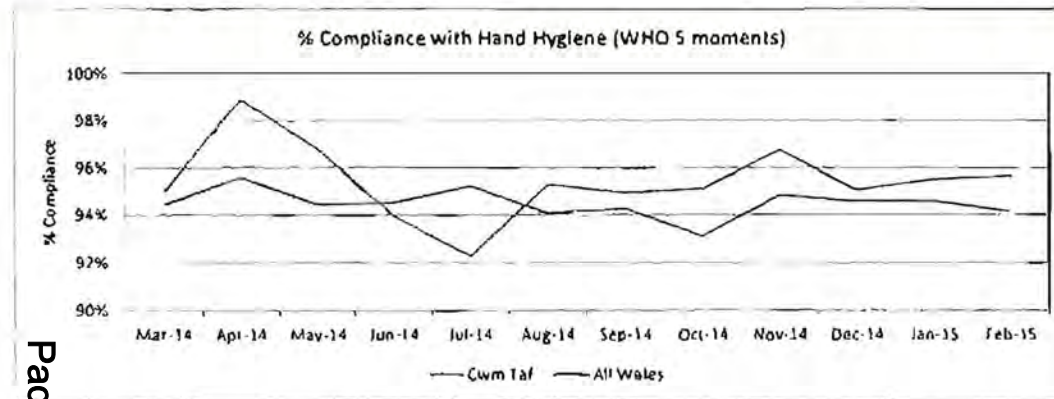
- To improve compliance with pressure ulcer training the TV nurses have developed a revised 6 hour training programme that will utilise the 6 hour staff make-up shift rather a full day's training.
- Focused work with the revised training and documentation is being piloted on two medical wards in RGH.
- Monthly audits for compliance with the new HAPU reporting process are being undertaken to inform a monthly report to Board.

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Indicator Level	Target	February	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Local	Continuous Improvement	12	245		Director of Nursing	N/A	

Hand Hygiene & Nutritional Assessment Compliance

The recording of Hand Hygiene and Nutritional scoring compliance is now undertaken in the All Wales Nursing Dashboard.



Issues affecting performance

Hand hygiene compliance has improved by 4% during the period July to November 2014, above the All Wales average position. During this period the largest single group of staff to be non-compliant were medical staff. However, there was non-compliance noted across nursing and allied health professional staff.

CTUHB has consistently performed better than the All Wales average for completion of nutritional risk assessment within 24 hours of admission to hospital.

Performance has remained consistently above 94% during 2014 but we continue to strive for better.

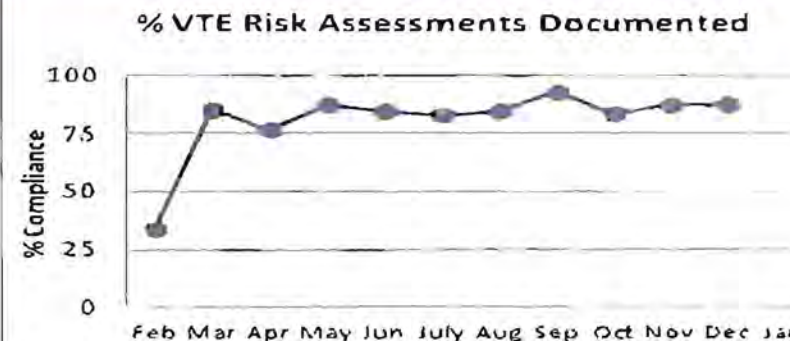
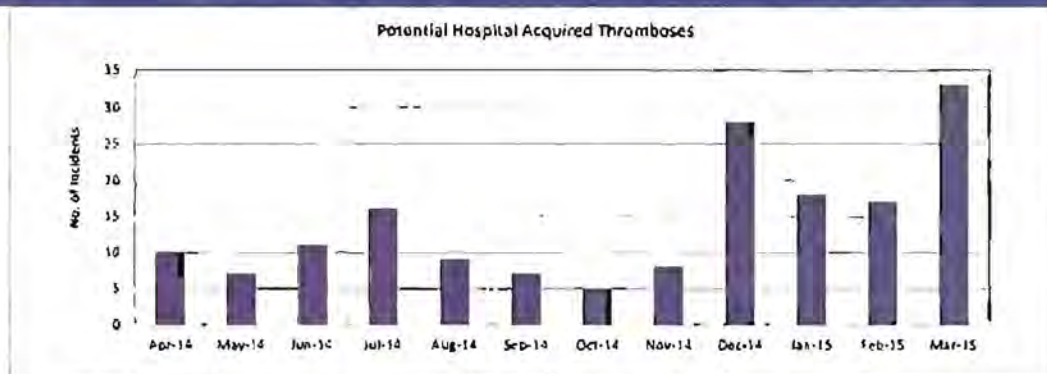
The Chief Nursing Officer has directed that completion of the nutrition e-learning programme is mandatory for all nursing staff in Wales. CTUHB has committed to full compliance by July 2015; this will require a focused effort to comply.

Agreed actions:

- The failure to comply with hand hygiene noted predominantly with medical staff will be addressed through the medical director and for the other allied health professions via their professional groups.
- For nursing monitoring of compliance with nutritional assessment will continue on a monthly basis with feedback via the heads of nursing, senior nurse and ward manager forums.
- To continue the implementation plan with the aim to be fully compliant with the nutrition e-learning programme by July 2015.

Indicator Level	Target	February	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Tier 1	Improvement	Hand Hygiene : Nutritional Assessment:	95.7% 95.9%		Director of Nursing	N/A	

Potential Hospital Acquired Thrombosis



It is a Welsh Government Tier 1 requirement that Health Boards have a process for assessing preventable harm from Hospital Acquired Thrombosis (HAT). Radiology and Informatics are now producing monthly data giving a list of those patients who are potential HAT (i.e. a DVT or a PE occurring within 90 days of a hospital admission).

The VTE risk assessment and prescription was introduced on the in-patient medication charts across Cwm Taf in February 2014 (with a sticker now available for Community Hospitals). Since then, the compliance rate with completing the risk assessment has improved significantly.

Issues affecting performance

- The need to continue to demonstrate improvement with compliance with VTE risk assessments which is promoted via Medical Education induction and Senior Nurse/Band 7 Forums.
- VTE risk assessment (sticker) is being embedded into community hospitals – monitor compliance via monthly audits.
- 100% compliance with risk assessment is not being achieved. Full commitment by consultant medical and surgical staff is required to achieve this. Registered nurses to continue to engage with medical staff to ensure that they complete the VTE risk assessments on the medication chart boxes.

Agreed actions

- Clinical Directors must ensure full engagement from consultants, Senior nurses and registered ward nurses to continue to direct medical colleagues with ensuring completion of the VTE risk assessment process.
- The CTUHB VTE RCA tool has been designed and tested for implementation to investigate potential VTE patients identified from Radiology reporting.
- Clinical leads have been identified within Directorates to coordinate the RCAs from the monthly data, feedback to Directorate integrated governance meetings and to Quality Steering group.
- The training package for Medical and Nursing colleagues has been redesigned to promote role clarity, (promote via Post Graduate Department training and incorporate into Nursing training programme (in house).
- CTUHB “ask about Clots”, promotion was held in June with poster for wards and also via intranet and internet sites.

Indicator Level	Target	March	YTD From Jan 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead;	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
National	Continuous Improvement	33	169		Medical Director	N/A	

Surgical Site Infection Rates (Arthroplasty)

Elective Primary Hip Arthroplasty	Total Procedures	Number of forms received	Number of valid forms received	Number of inpatient SSI	Number of post-discharge SSI	Overall SSI Rate	Period	Elective Primary Knee Arthroplasty	Total Procedures	Number of forms received	Number of valid forms received	Number of inpatient SSI	Number of post-discharge SSI	Overall SSI Rate
Cwm Taf	416	264	264	1	2	1.1%	Jan 2014 to Dec 2014	Cwm Taf	466	335	335	0	3	0.9%
All Wales	no data	2003	1985	7	11	0.9%		All Wales	no data	2131	2119	8	29	1.7%
Cwm Taf	388	236	236	0	3	1.3%	Jan 2013 to Dec 2013	Cwm Taf	441	336	336	0	5	1.5%
All Wales	no data	2688	2675	3	28	1.2%		All Wales	no data	2973	2962	13	28	1.4%
Cwm Taf	427	353	353	4	1	1.4%	Jan 2012 to Dec 2012	Cwm Taf	561	543	543	3	6	1.7%
All Wales	no data	3523	3513	19	36	1.6%		All Wales	no data	4177	4167	19	59	1.9%
Cwm Taf	434	268	268	6	6	4.5%	Jan 2011 to Dec 2011	Cwm Taf	543	411	411	1	9	2.4%
All Wales	no data	3078	3038	31	33	2.1%		All Wales	no data	3770	3735	18	49	1.8%

Since 2003, Health Boards that carry out orthopaedic procedures in Wales have been required by the Welsh Government to undertake continuous surveillance of surgical site infections (SSI) following orthopaedic procedures. From 2007 onwards, surveillance has been restricted to just elective primary hip and elective primary knee arthroplasty.

Issues affecting performance

Performance in this area has improved considerably over the last 3 years. Infection rates for both primary knee and primary hip replacements are now below the all Wales level. However there is a variance between the recorded primary arthroplasty carried out and the number of forms received by WHAIP.

Agreed actions

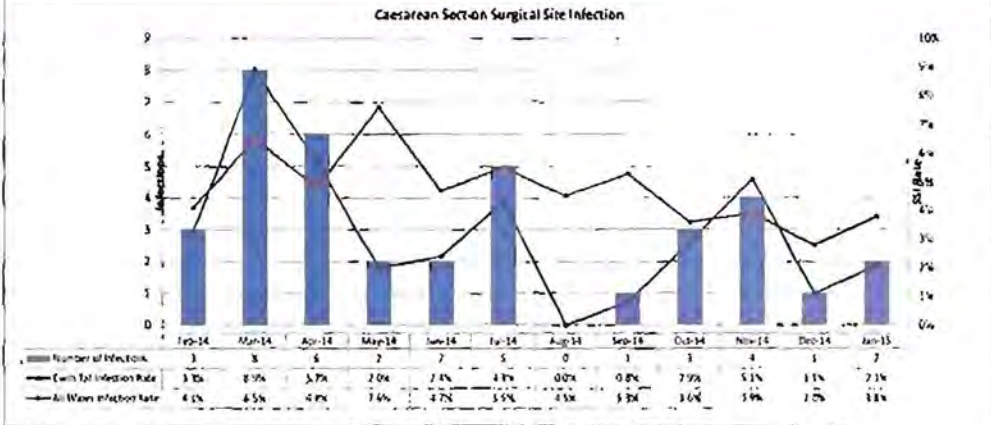
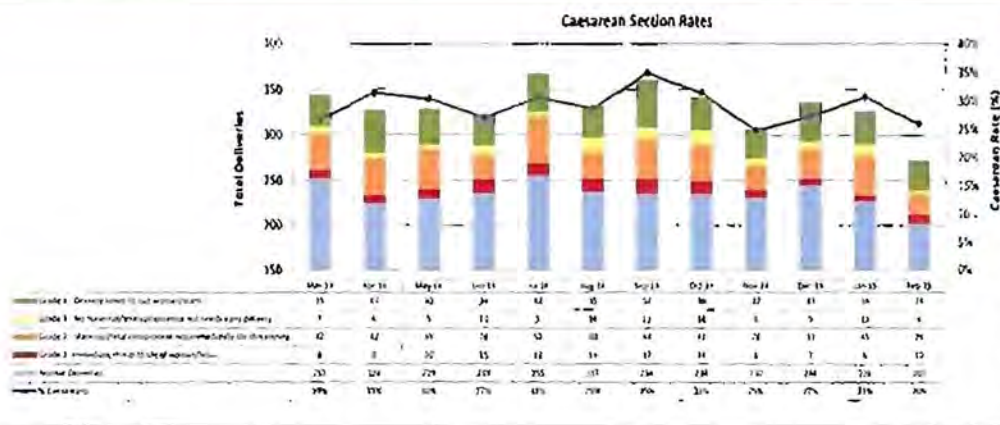
To ensure all relevant procedures are recorded and an accurate infection rate derived:

- Establish accurate number of arthroplasty operations carried out across relevant years.
- Ensure all relevant procedures are cross reference with WHAIP infection information.
- Derive infection rates in line with accurate numbers and rationale.

This work will be on-going until a satisfactory rationale for compliant procedures is implemented.

Indicator Level	Target	YTD (September)	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework	Reduction - Knee (1.6%) Reduction - Hip (1.7%)	0.8% 1.5%		Director of Nursing	N/A	

Surgical Site Infection Rates (Caesarean Section)



Issues affecting performance

Health Boards in Wales have been required by the Welsh Assembly Government to implement Caesarean Section surgical site infection surveillance since 01/01/2006, and to report these data to the WHAIP on a monthly basis. Previously reported high rates of infection within the Health Board have been reviewed and attributed to over reporting. The directorate has since addressed these issues and the resulting drop in SSI rates reflects the accurate position going forward.

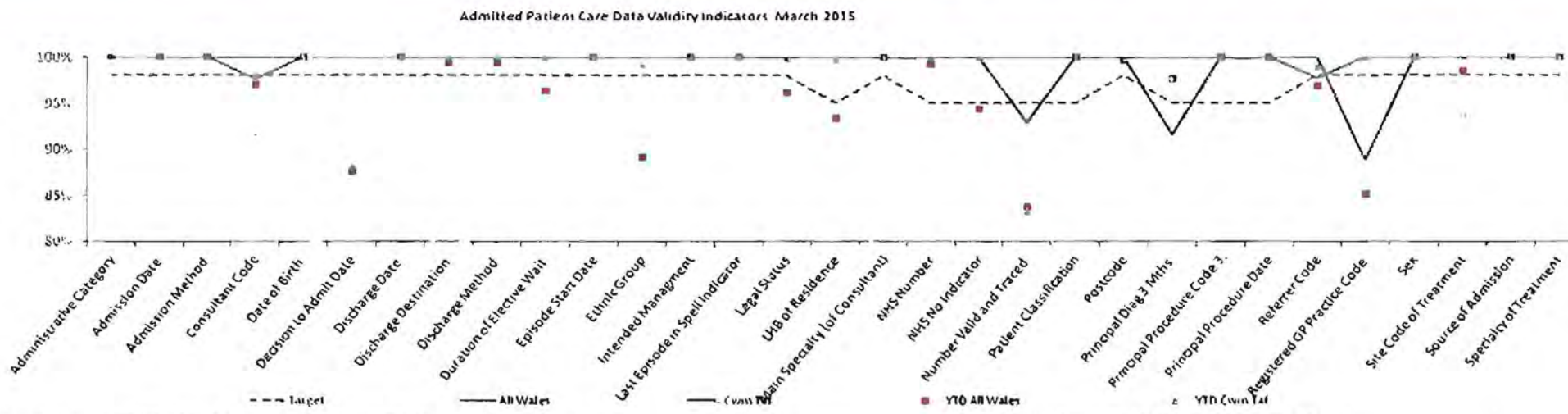
Individual clinical practice and women's choice have been identified as the main contributors to Cwm Taf's high instances of Caesarean Section births. This is now being addressed by a Normal Birth Working Group with the aim of reducing by 1% each year until the target rate is achieved.

Agreed actions

- Improved monitoring of reporting of C-sections and associated SSIs.
- Established Multidisciplinary Normal Birth Working Group.
- Audit of all CS performed in March 2014 to investigate peak.
- Continuous audit of all Inductions of Labour.
- Birth Environmental audit and refurbishment.
- Cohort of Midwives trained to provide Aromatherapy.
- Developing MDT Panel to review request for CS.
- Developing Midwife Led VBAC Clinic.
- Benchmarking practice across Wales.
- Introduction of a standard operating procedure (SOP) for pre intra and post operative care.

Indicator Level	Target	Jan	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework	Reduction (baseline to be established)	2.1%	2.9%		Director of Nursing	N/A	

Data Quality (cont)



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Indicator Level	Target	February	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
NWIS	95% - 98%	99.6%	99.6%		Director of Planning and Performance	Standard Being Met	

Mental Health Measure

The Mental Health Measure has four main components:

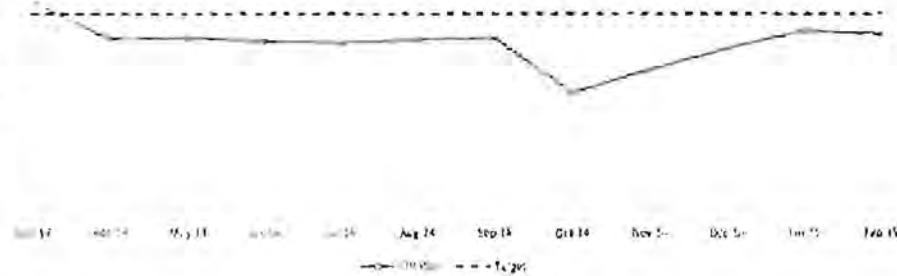
- Part 1 will ensure more mental health services are available within primary care.
- Part 2 makes sure all patients in secondary care have a Care and Treatment Plan.
- Part 3 enables all adults discharged from secondary care services to refer themselves back to those services.
- Part 4 supports every in-patient to have help from an independent mental health advocate if wanted.

Under the Mental Health Measure, Health Boards are to report the following indicators on a monthly basis:

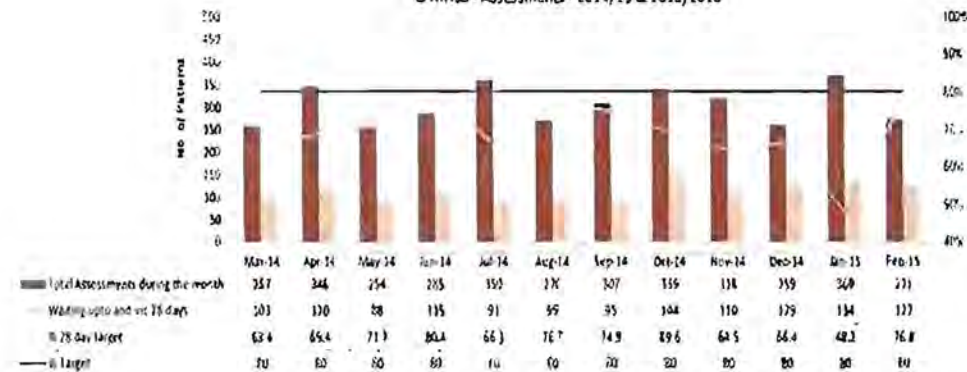
- Assessment by the LPMHSS undertaken within 28 days of referral (target 80%).
- Therapeutic interventions undertaken within 56 days of an assessment (target 90%).
- Number of valid CTPs completed each month (target 90%). Part 2 MHM

Care Treatment Plan Completion - Feb 2014 - Jan 2015

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LPMHSS - Assessments - 2014/15 & 2015/2016



Issues affecting performance

Part 2 - Care & Treatment Planning

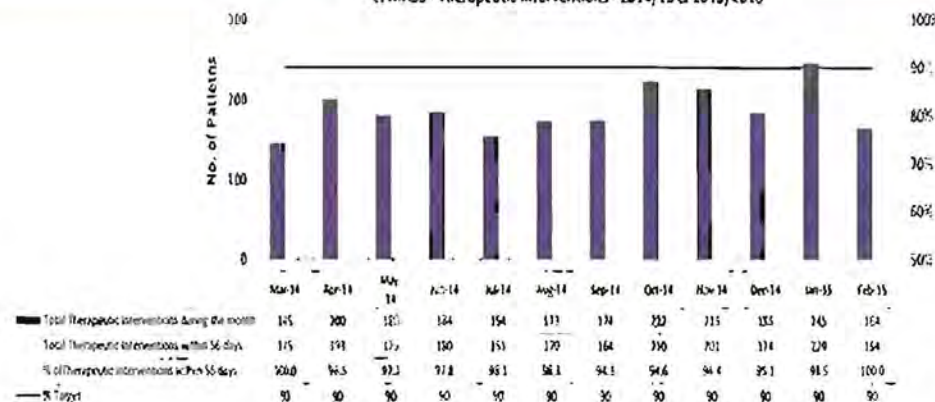
Compliance is not meeting the 90% target, but it has increased from 76 to 85.9% (from November 2014 to January 2015) but has now remained at 85.2% for February 2015. Two main issues affecting performance are: 1) there are still some outstanding care plans needing to be completed 2) Care Plans have been completed but have not received a CTP Review in the required timescale. The intention is to reach the target of 90% once more by end of March 2015.

Those without a CTP Care Plan continue to receive interventions as before so will see no change to the service they have been receiving. All patients currently without a CTP Care Plan will receive a care plan as directed under our action plan. Our plan to increase performance to 90% for Part 2 of the MHM by March 2015 is to examine the individual performance of each and every practitioner, including social worker care coordinators working in the local authority. We now have that level of data after implementing a new system and will use it for monitoring individual performance improvement. This is being led by all professional heads including the local authority.

The Directorate Management Team will be monitoring the compliance on a weekly basis and taking improvement actions where necessary. A paper on performance was presented and discussed at the Finance & Performance Committee in January 2015. A recent positive performance meeting was also held with the local authority leads.

Mental Health Measure (Continued)

LPMHSS - Therapeutic Interventions - 2014/15 & 2015/2016



Agreed Actions

Part 1 – Primary care assessment and treatment

Due to the large volume of referrals into the LPCMHSSA the 80% assessment target is a challenge. The compliance for assessment is currently 76.8% (target 80%) and for treatment is 100% (target 90%). Our current capacity is not meeting the demand for assessment within 28 days and a strategy for increasing resources in this area is required. An action plan for improvement has been submitted to Welsh Government for full compliance by June 2015.

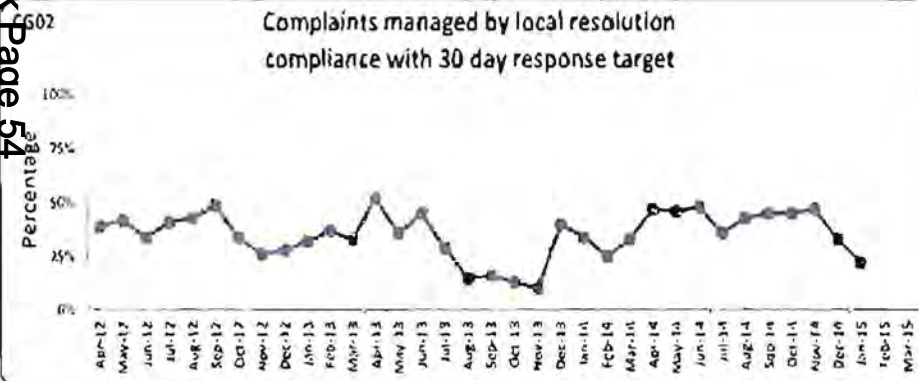
The LPCMHSS will focus on educating the GP's to also consider, where appropriate, signposting clients to our Open Access courses instead of making a referral for an assessment. The future introduction of the Valley Steps project will also make a significant difference to options.

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Indicator Level		Feb	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework	MHM Part 2 - 90% of patients with valid CTP completed at the end of each month.	85.2%	85.9%		Director of Primary Care & Mental Health	31 st March 2015	December 2014
	80% of assessments by the LPMHSS within 28 days from the date of referral.	76.8%	69.15%				
	90% of therapeutic interventions by the LPMHSS within 56 days of assessment.	100%	97.7%				

4. EXPERIENCE AND ACCESS

Concerns - Complaints

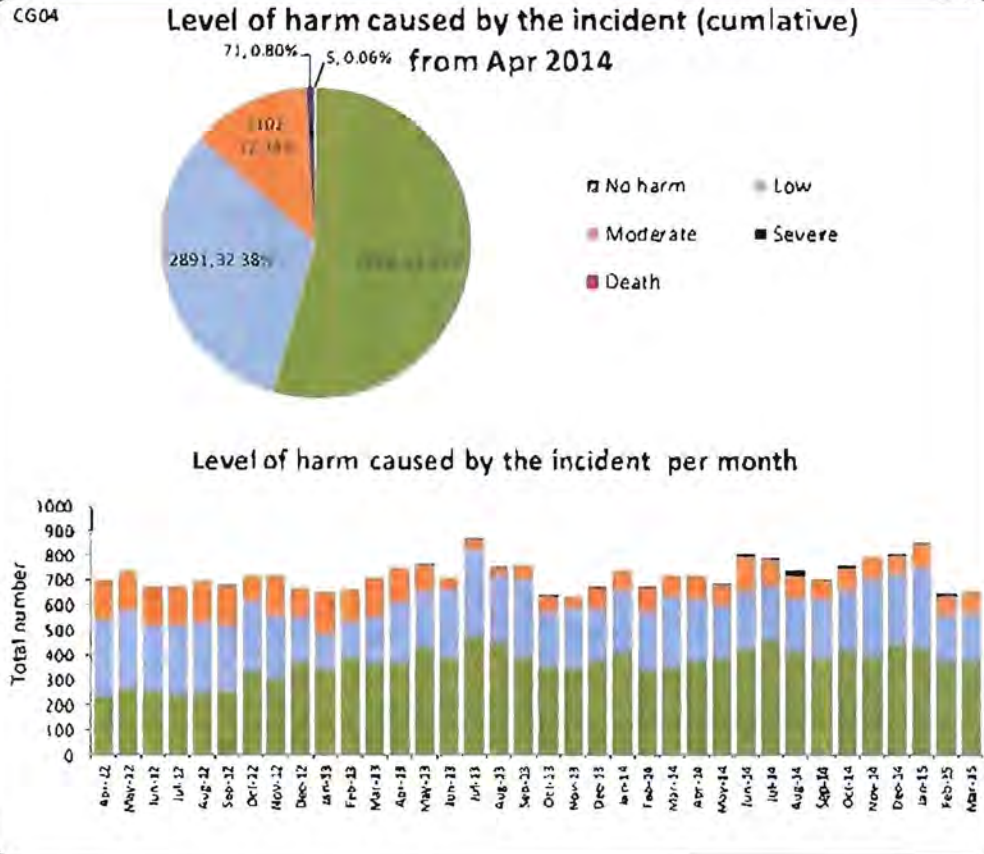


Issues affecting performance

Timescales for responding to complaints are set by Welsh Government through *Putting Things Right*.

- Graph CG01 shows the number of new complaints received by the Health Board and includes those managed 'On the Spot' and by 'Local Resolution'. 'On the Spot' describes complaints resolved to the satisfaction of the person raising the Concern **within 24 hours**. 'Local Resolution' are those complaints that take longer than 24 hours to resolve are therefore managed under the Regulations set out in *Putting Things Right*. 'On the Spot' are not counted in the complaints figures (graph CG02) but are included in Graph CG01 to demonstrate the work that is being undertaken to avoid a protracted process, and to reflect the Health Board's commitment to maximising the number of complaints resolved within 24 hours to the patient's satisfaction.
- Once a complaint is received by the Health Board (which takes over 24 hours to resolve) a final response should be issued **within 30 working days** of first receipt of the concern; performance against this target is reflected in graph CG02. Decreased performance with meeting the 30 day target for responding to complaints received in December and January is partly a reflection of the increased clinical pressures which impacted on the ability of Directorate Staff to focus on responding to complaints. Regular complaints performance meetings are now being scheduled to address issues at the earliest stage.
- If, however, this is not possible the person raising the concern must be informed of the reason for delay and the response must then be sent as soon as possible and **within 6 months** of the date the concern was received; performance against this target is reflected in graph CG03. The compliance with the 6 month response target reflects the increasing complexity of the complaints received and the level of Investigation required. Support continues to be provided to the clinical areas to undertake investigations appropriate to the level of concern and provide a response within agreed timescales.

Concerns – Incidents



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Issues affecting performance

High reporting rates for incidents resulting in low harm and minor harm is considered a positive indication of the awareness of staff and their responsibility in reporting incidents, and of an open culture and learning organisation. Cwm Taf University Health Board reports more incidents than other Health Boards in Wales - most caused no harm to patients or minor harm only (CG04).

Agreed actions

- All incidents are reviewed; serious incidents undergo a root cause analysis investigation to identify areas of improvement to improve patient experience and safety.
- The main focus of the Health Board's work on all Concerns (complaints, patient safety incidents and clinical negligence claims) is to ensure thorough investigation and reviews that result in learning and improvement. Examples include reducing pressure damage, reducing patient falls resulting in harm, and improving care for patients with dementia.
- Specialist patient safety staff continue to work closely with clinical staff in departments to support and improve safe practice through education and training.
- The Health Board currently reports 12.82% compared with the national average of 9.8%. A reduction has been highlighted and is indicative of the monitoring and focused work undertaken by the Patient Safety Improvement Managers within Directorates to ensure accurate reporting.

Indicator Level	Target	January	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Local	Linked to the Older Persons Commissioner Report	73	696		Director of Nursing	Unlikely to achieve reduction	

Theatre Efficiency

2013-14	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Planned Procedures 2013/14	2166	2292	2259	2509	2198	2262	2540	2011	2054	2324	2280	2455	27350
Total No. of Cancellations	778	475	446	586	438	503	495	369	429	492	474	446	5931
%age total cancellations	35.9%	20.7%	19.7%	23.4%	19.9%	22.2%	19.5%	18.3%	20.9%	21.2%	20.8%	18.2%	21.7%
%age bed related cancellations	62.30%	24.20%	7.80%	34.00%	18.70%	16.70%	10.30%	4.30%	2.10%	13.00%	11.00%	3.80%	20.40%
%age patient cancellations	9.60%	20.80%	27.10%	17.60%	24.00%	18.90%	26.90%	29.80%	30.50%	29.10%	21.90%	27.60%	22.60%
%age clinical cancellations	16.50%	36.00%	35.70%	28.30%	30.60%	23.70%	29.70%	27.10%	24.00%	23.00%	25.90%	30.00%	26.90%
%age cancellations - other	11.60%	18.90%	29.40%	20.10%	26.70%	40.80%	33.10%	38.80%	43.40%	35.00%	41.10%	38.60%	30.10%

2014-15	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Planned Procedures 2014/15	2133	2239	2468	2569	2099	2289	2562	2374	1985	2246	2260	2373	27597
Total No. of Cancellations	361	384	468	464	377	401	463	499	577	638	478	506	5616
%age total cancellations	16.92%	17.15%	18.96%	18.06%	17.96%	17.52%	18.07%	21.02%	29.07%	28.41%	21.15%	21.32%	20.35%
%age bed related cancellations	1.66%	1.04%	1.07%	0.65%	1.33%	3.99%	7.78%	12.83%	37.61%	40.60%	2.93%	7.91%	7.91%
%age patient cancellations	28.25%	26.82%	25.64%	28.66%	26.53%	28.68%	25.49%	25.05%	19.06%	20.69%	25.31%	26.88%	26.88%
%age clinical cancellations	29.09%	27.34%	25.21%	32.76%	23.87%	27.93%	24.62%	22.44%	17.85%	14.58%	23.43%	25.30%	25.30%
%age cancellations - other	41.00%	44.79%	48.08%	37.93%	48.28%	39.40%	42.12%	39.68%	25.48%	24.14%	48.33%	39.92%	39.92%

Issues affecting performance

To provide more of an indepth understanding of the cancellation data the report will include the numbers of patients cancelled for the top 10 reasons, which account for 72% of the cancellations:

1	67	MORE URGENT CASE	Other
2	40	NO BEDS	No bed:
3	35	CLINICALLY UNFIT FOR SURGERY	Clinical
4	29	SURGEON ILL	Other
5	27	OVERSUBSCRIBED	Other
6	27	PATIENT CANCEL-UNWELL	By Patient
7	25	DNA	By Patient
8	19	HOSPITAL-OPERATION NOT NECESSARY	Clinical
9	19	CANCELLED BY PATIENT	By Patient
10	17	PATIENT CANCEL- OP NOT WANTED	By Patient

305 or 60% out of the 506 total cancellations were in the top 10 reasons; of which 88 or 28% were cancellations generated by the patients themselves. The other high cancellation rate was for other reasons mainly clinical 123 or 40%. March saw a slight deterioration in bed cancellations compared to February. However overall for the year it was 641 which is a much better position compared to 13/14 when we cancelled 1175. Bed cancellations affected RGH BY 535 compared to 106 in PCH. The largest specialty hit by bed cancellations was T&O 239 and the General Surgery 161.

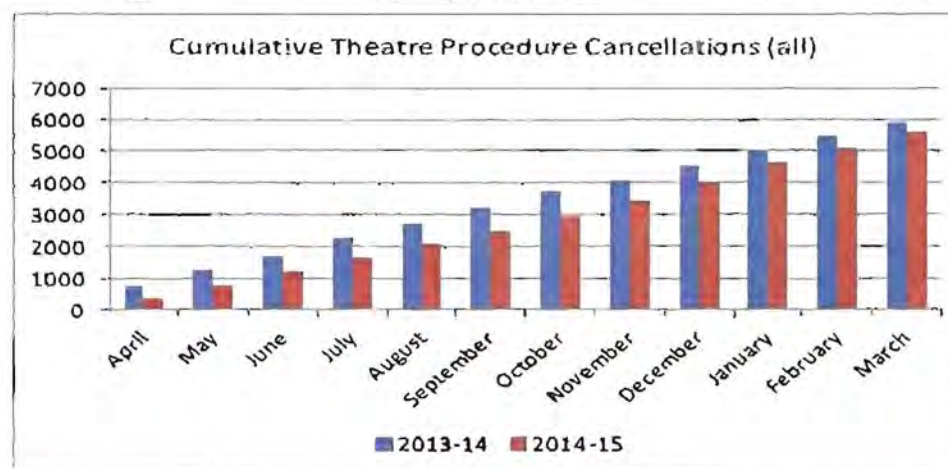
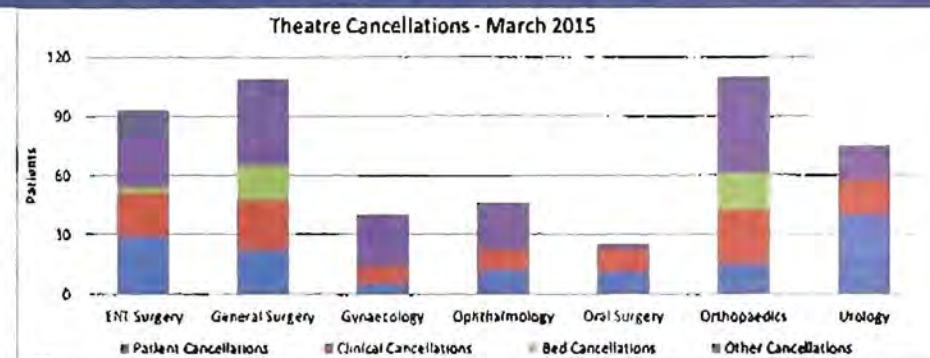
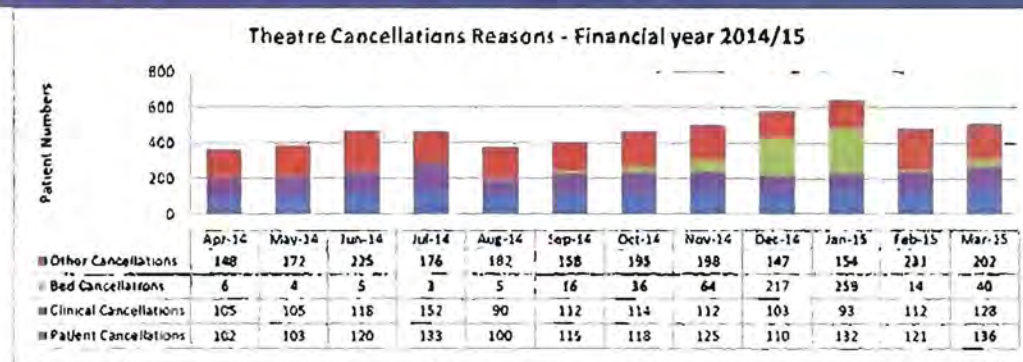
Productivity

In order to raise the profile of the improvement required within our operating theatres, the ACT Directorate has developed a programme which monitors time lost due to late starts, early finishes and delays between operating procedures. The theatre optimisation charts are on view for all staff to see within the main theatre suite.

- January**
43460 minutes lost over 405 sessions = 41% per session (107 minutes)
- February**
24359 minutes lost over 433 sessions = 22% per session (58 minutes)
- March**
27389 minutes lost over 483 sessions = 22% per session (56 minutes)

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Theatre Efficiency (cont)



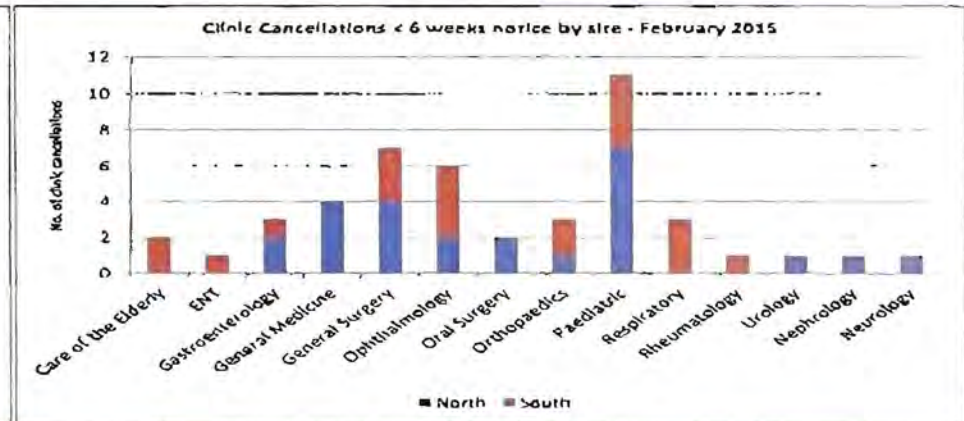
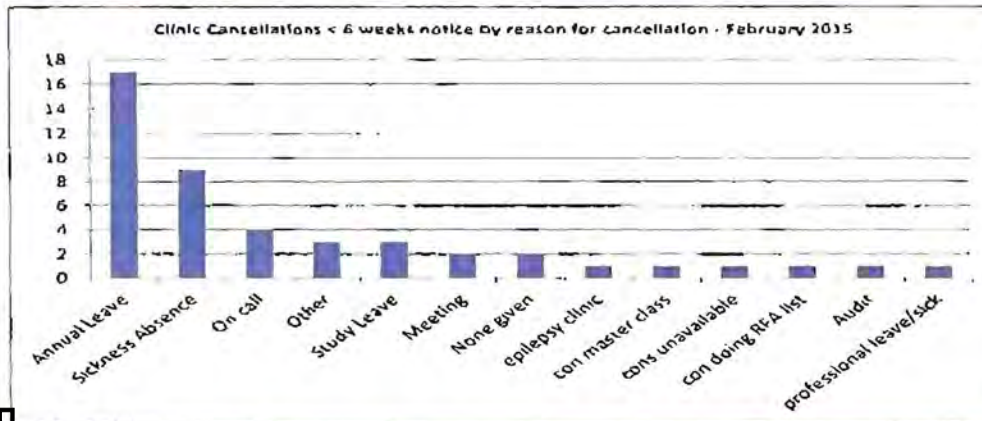
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Agreed actions

- Continue to ensure the pre-operative assessment is working effectively
- The newly developed theatre scheduling is now being rolled for the secretaries and waiting list team to use. Training has been provided on how to schedule patients from Myrddin onto the theatre scheduler, the information department to develop a theatre scheduling tool. The Head & Neck directorate have a plan to roll it out by the end of February it will then be rolled out into Orthopaedics.
- The next TQIT meeting will discuss options for creating a ward on the RGH site that can be used as a day surgery ward so it can be ring fenced from medical patients so that at least day case elective activity can continue.

Indicator Level	Target	Mar (446)	YTD (5931)	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Local	Reduce theatre cancellations using 2013/14 as a baseline	506	5616		COO	31 st March 2015	

Outpatient Clinic Cancellations



Comments

The above charts are derived from data collected by medical records as a result of forms received requesting clinics to be cancelled. At present this only relates to those clinics managed by the medical records department. It excludes clinics that are arranged and administered by specialty teams within surgical directorates. This work will progress to cover all outpatient clinics. As can be seen from the graph above, the majority of short notice cancellations are due to annual leave, which contravenes the Health Board's 6 week annual leave policy for clinical staff. The next biggest reason for short notice cancellation of clinics is captured under "Other". This needs to be explored so that more granularity is available. The Performance and Information team will work with the directorates to improve reporting in this area.

The charts illustrate the number of clinics cancelled during the month of January with less than 6 weeks' notice of cancellation. The cross-cutting theme for outpatient improvement is focussing on short notice clinic cancellations as a strand of the project. Improving in this area will be pivotal to the implementation of the Text & Remind service.

Indicator Level	Target	February (76)	YTD (886)	Forecast	Executive Lead	Expected date of compliance	Revised date of compliance
Local	Continuous Improvement	46	760		COO	N/A	

Outpatient Efficiency

DNA Rates (Main Specialties) April to March 2014/2015	New O/P	New DNA	2014/2015		2014/2015	
			YTD % New DNA	F/Up O/P	F/Up DNA	YTD % F/Up DNA
General Surgery	9846	607	5.8%	12886	1517	10.5%
Urology	3699	250	6.3%	8190	963	10.5%
Orthopaedics	15691	1311	7.7%	32161	4343	11.9%
ENT Surgery	8296	671	7.5%	14471	2185	13.1%
Ophthalmology	8496	852	9.1%	29595	3323	10.1%
Oral Surgery	6011	529	8.1%	6551	970	17.9%
General Medicine	18510	1953	9.5%	18345	3073	14.3%
Gastroenterology	1711	159	8.5%	5042	704	12.3%
Haem (Clinical)	2457	220	8.2%	37341	2655	6.6%
Cardiology	2695	165	5.8%	4788	674	12.3%
Dermatology	4915	285	5.5%	10065	903	8.2%
Respiratory Medicine	2374	246	9.4%	5810	732	11.2%
Rheumatology	3762	262	6.5%	10447	1604	13.3%
Paediatrics	2798	329	10.5%	6109	1572	20.5%
Gynaecology	9084	1104	10.8%	11461	1488	11.5%
Nursing	14089	990	6.6%	35583	3486	8.9%
Totals (Main Specs)	117639	10180	8.0%	263010	31419	10.7%

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Issues affecting performance

Efficiency and activity measures will form part of the Health Board Matrix at a strategic level and at an operational level the Consultant Dashboard, which will be utilised by CDs at directorate meetings.

- Good progress is being made in improving the booking processes for follow-up appointments in line with RTT Rules or with previous Guide to Good Practice Guidance, It is anticipated that this will improve the number of DNAs experienced for follow-up appointments.
- Currently the specialties are working on plans of how to address their follow up backlogs through validation potentially through case note review via virtual clinics.

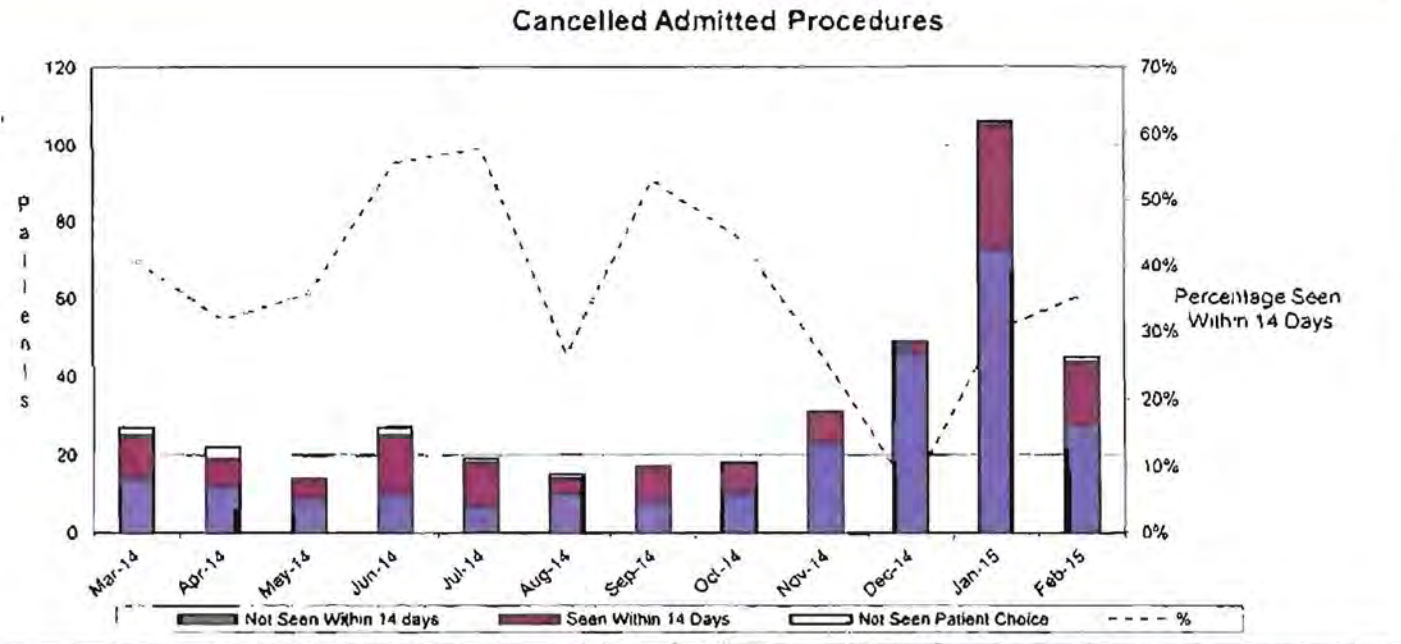
Agreed actions

There are currently two initiatives about to come on board to improve attendance at clinical consultations:

- Text and Remind – this facilitates each patient being sent a reminder of their scheduled appointment seven days in advance. It allows the patient the opportunity to confirm attendance, reschedule or permanently cancel their appointment.
- Self Service Kiosk – this service will allow patients to update their own demographics as they attend for an appointment. It will ensure that we hold the right information for each patient and will aid communication processes.

Indicator Level	Target	March	YTD From April 2014	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Local	5% New 7% follow-up	8.0% 10.7%	7.9% 10.6%		COO	31 st March 2015	

Cancelled Admitted Procedures



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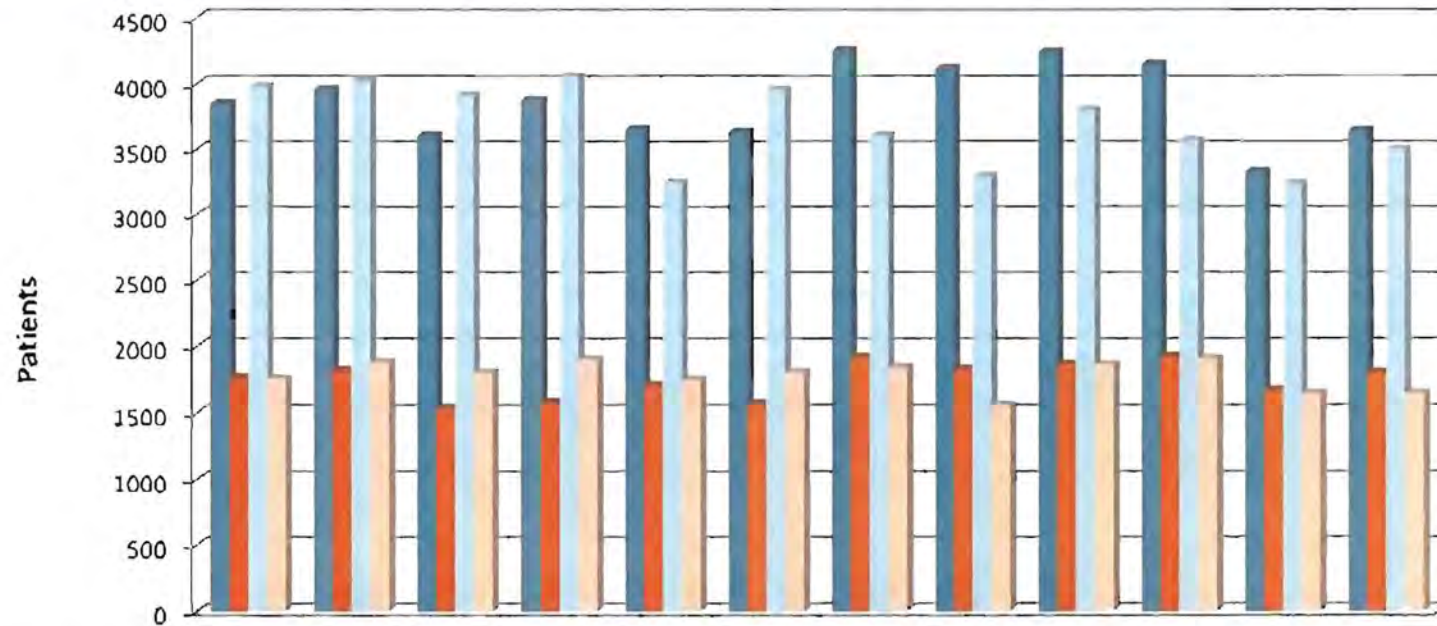
Comments

As part of WG's manifesto, the Health Minister gave a commitment to patients that should their operations be cancelled on more than one occasion, with less than 8 day's notice then they would receive treatment within 14 days of the second cancellation, or at the patient's earliest convenience. This has now become a Tier 1 target on which Health Boards report monthly. The data for this measure is extrapolated from the Health Board's Myrddin application at the end of each month.

The graph above shows the level of procedures cancelled on more than one occasion recorded each month and whether the procedure is then carried out within 14 days of the second cancellation. The secondary axis (red dotted line) plots the % performance for the procedures carried out within 14 days. For example, in July 2014 19 patients had their procedure cancelled on more than one occasion and 60% were subsequently carried out within 14 days of the second cancellation. This is in comparison with 35% of 45 patients in February 2015.

Emergency Admissions

Emergency Admissions - Comparison 2013/14 - 2014/15



	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15
All Specialties Emergency 13/14	3855	3961	3608	3877	3657	3636	4255	4121	4243	4152	3328	3646
Medical Emergency 13/14	1765	1822	1537	1580	1708	1570	1920	1830	1866	1928	1671	1805
All Specialties Emergency 14/15	3985	4021	3920	4059	3247	3959	3610	3294	3805	3571	3238	3499
Medical Emergency 14/15	1762	1882	1803	1908	1752	1805	1845	1562	1866	1911	1647	1652

Comments

The above graph illustrates the comparison between emergency admissions for the last full financial year against this year to date. It also looks at Medical Emergency admissions. The live bed management project is 80% complete for acute sites with the remaining 20% being addressed currently, the project will shortly be moving on to the community sites.

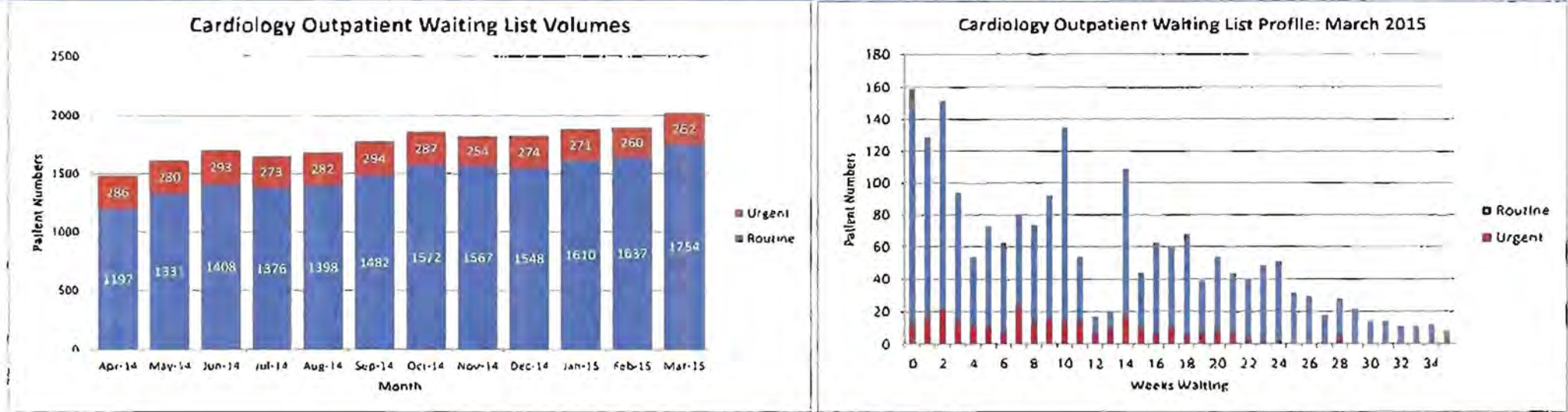
The current financial year shows an increased variation in the total emergency admission activity, which needs to be looked at in more detail.

Activity

The tables below a month by month and YTD comparison of activity delivered by Cwm Taf over 2013/14 and 2014/15. The inpatient activity includes both acute and community discharges and also emergency assessment admissions with a zero length of stay. It should be noted that the recording of assessment activity has been variable across these periods due to changes in clinical models at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital.

Activity per Day		April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Cumulative average
Daycases (per working day)	Activity 14/15	74	75	82	81	74	72	80	86	64	78	84	80	78
	Activity 13/14	64	75	75	72	68	67	80	79	68	70	72	78	72
	% change since prior year	13%	0%	10%	11%	8%	7%	0%	9%	-5%	11%	15%	2%	7%
Daycases - Surgical	Activity 14/15	50	52	57	58	49	50	54	57	44	51	54	47	52
	Activity 13/14	41	51	55	49	46	48	56	57	48	50	51	57	51
	% change since prior year	17%	1%	3%	15%	5%	4%	-3%	0%	-10%	2%	6%	-21%	2%
Daycases - Medical	Activity 14/15	24	23	26	23	26	22	26	29	21	27	30	33	26
	Activity 13/14	23	23	19	23	22	19	24	22	20	20	21	21	21
	% change since prior year	4%	-1%	25%	0%	13%	13%	7%	25%	4%	27%	31%	36%	20%
Daycases - Other	Activity 14/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.01
	Activity 13/14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.03
	% change since prior year	0%	-90%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	-58%
Elect IP (per working day)	Activity 14/15	33	35	32	33	32	30	34	35	20	23	35	35	31
	Activity 13/14	23	34	38	32	32	35	36	38	32	31	36	37	34
	% change since prior year	30%	2%	-18%	2%	-1%	-14%	-4%	-7%	-61%	-34%	-3%	-7%	-7%
Non-Elect IP (per day)	Activity 14/15	140	138	139	138	127	138	140	133	144	138	137	134	137
	Activity 13/14	136	136	128	132	125	128	145	147	145	142	143	140	137
	% change since prior year	3%	1%	8%	5%	2%	8%	-3%	-11%	0%	-3%	-4%	-4%	0%
OP-New (per working day)	Activity 14/15	502	497	520	475	445	547	520	537	468	496	539	525	506
	Activity 13/14	510	479	509	489	413	500	502	488	440	499	512	513	488
	% change since prior year	-2%	4%	2%	-3%	7%	9%	3%	9%	6%	-1%	5%	2%	4%
OP-FUp (per working day)	Activity 14/15	1,319	1,269	1,260	1,191	1,129	1,321	1,254	1,319	1,192	1,266	1,275	1,315	1,259
	Activity 13/14	1,283	1,242	1,265	1,219	1,101	1,275	1,350	1,258	1,124	1,289	1,259	1,277	1,245
	% change since prior year	3%	2%	0%	-2%	3%	4%	-8%	5%	6%	-2%	1%	3%	1%
OP-Procedures (per working day)	Activity 14/15	290	298	280	255	268	255	165	167	169	196	193	66	217
	Activity 13/14	223	232	218	217	192	210	237	222	173	219	300	276	227
	% change since prior year	23%	22%	22%	15%	29%	18%	-44%	-33%	-3%	-12%	-55%	-317%	-4%
A&E Attendances (per day)	Activity 14/15	383	384	389	393	347	393	364	357	354	386	351	376	373
	Activity 13/14	377	373	378	412	360	370	362	345	335	344	345	380	365
	% change since prior year	1%	3%	3%	-5%	-4%	6%	1%	3%	5%	11%	2%	-1%	2%

Waiting Lists (Cardiology)



Comments

The above charts show that the total volume of patients waiting for cardiology review (graph 1), there has been an increase in the total volume waiting again in this month with the total volume of 2016 patients waiting, this represents the highest number of patients waiting during this financial year. The number of urgent patients waiting has increased to 262. Although the majority of patients are seen within 20 weeks (graph 2), there is a tail of patients waiting up to 35 weeks, which is of concern. The information also shows that some urgent patients are waiting in excess of the required time, with the longest waiting patient showing at 28 weeks.

The main reason for the tail of long waits has been attributed to a capacity gap within some sub-specialty clinics due to long term staff absences and recent retirements. A full demand and capacity analysis of the service is also being undertaken to redress the balance on a sustainable basis.

As the pathway for cardiac surgery is delivered jointly between Cwm Taf and the tertiary units (Cardiff and Vale and Abertawe Bro-morgannwg University Health Boards), this analysis has also included patients waiting outside of Cwm Taf. From the last reports received from the tertiary centres we can see that there are 133 patients waiting for treatment at Cardiff and Vale and two at ABMU. The longest waiting patients have been reviewed and show that, on average, patients are seen at first outpatients within 8 weeks. However they appear to be waiting a further 36 weeks for surgical intervention. To complete this review, all patients will be subject to a case note review to ascertain their length of wait and level of consultation with all services in the interim period.

Diagnostic & Therapy Waiting Lists

Diagnostic Waiting Times

March '15		Total Number Waiting			Number Waiting > 8 weeks			Longest week wait		
Speciality	Diagnostic Test	Royal Glamorgan	Prince Charles	Cwm Taf	Royal Glamorgan	Prince Charles	Cwm Taf	Royal Glamorgan	Prince Charles	Cwm Taf
Cardiology	Echo	1164	747	1931	725	381	1106	11	7	11
	Stress Test	70	15	85	11	0	11	11	7	11
	Total	1234	762	1996	736	381	1117	11	7	11
Endoscopy	Bronchoscopy	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Colonoscopy	144	124	268	27	36	63	11	11	11
	Cystoscopy	52	102	154	19	26	45	11	11	11
	Flexi Sigmoidoscopy	202	131	306	78	44	122	11	11	11
	Gastroscopy	308	236	542	79	42	121	11	11	11
	Total	704	597	1361	203	148	351	11	11	11
Radiology	Barium Enema	136	109	245	33	1	34	12	11	11
	CT	117	370	687	3	12	15	11	11	11
	MRI	215	232	437	44	13	57	11	11	11
	Non Obs USS	2273	1489	3762	1003	97	1100	11	11	11
	Nuclear Medicine	32	0	32	0	0	0	7	0	7
	Fluoroscopy	165	129	290	90	22	112	11	11	11
	Total	3138	2815	5459	1173	145	1318	11	11	11
Neurophysiology	EMG	127	72	199	101	58	159	11	11	11
	Nerve Conduction Studies	210	128	338	155	102	257	11	11	11
Physiological Measurement	Urodynamic Tests	42	12	54	23	2	25	11	11	11
	Total	42	12	54	23	2	25	11	11	11
Total		5515	3886	9401	2391	876	3227			

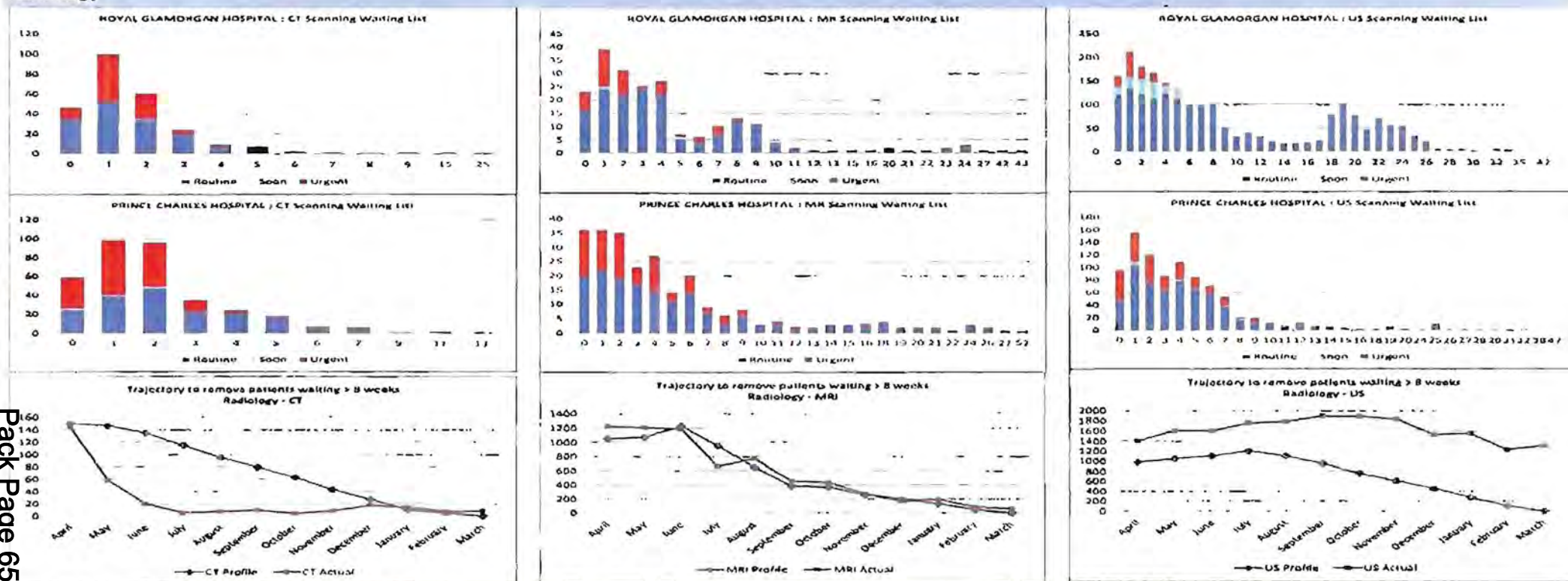
Therapies Waiting Times

March '15		Total Number Waiting			Number Waiting > 8 weeks			Longest week wait		
Speciality	Diagnostic Test	Royal Glamorgan	Prince Charles	Cwm Taf	Royal Glamorgan	Prince Charles	Cwm Taf	Royal Glamorgan	Prince Charles	Cwm Taf
Audiology	Consultant	143	0	143	52	0	52	12	0	12
	GP	225	0	225	72	0	72	12	0	12
	Total	368	0	368	124	0	124	12	0	12
Dietetics	Adults	232	153	385	8	4	12	9	11	11
	Paediatrics	42	21	63	4	0	4	10	7	10
	Total	274	174	448	12	4	16	10	7	10
Occupational Therapy	Adults	28	36	64	4	18	24	11	11	11
	Paediatrics	5	1	6	5	1	6	11	8	11
	Total	33	37	70	11	19	30	11	8	11
Physiotherapy	Adults	651	625	1276	35	41	76	10	12	12
	Paediatrics	81	35	116	0	1	1	7	8	8
	Total	732	660	1392	35	42	77	10	12	12
Podiatry	Routine	311	287	598	5	4	9	9	9	9
	Urgent	23	11	34	0	0	0	6	7	7
	Total	334	298	632	5	4	9	9	9	9
Speech Language	Adults	62	30	101	6	9	15	11	10	11
	Paediatrics	0	243	243	0	29	29	0	10	10
	Total	62	282	344	6	38	44	11	10	11
Total		1803	1451	3254	193	110	303			

Key:-	< 8 Weeks
	8 - 13 Weeks

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Radiology



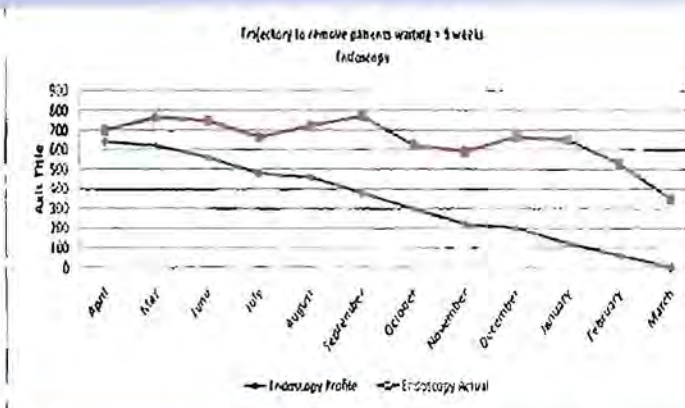
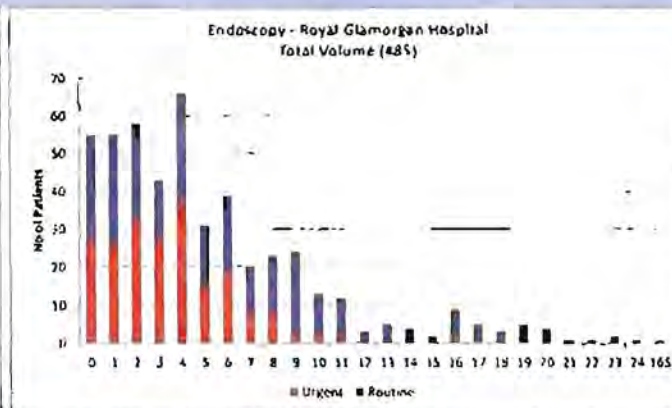
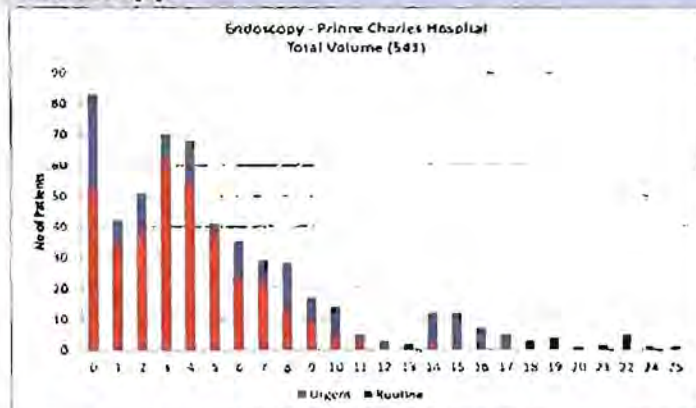
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Issues affecting performance

In order for the Health Board to achieve against the improvement trajectories submitted to Welsh Government, it acknowledges that significant improvement also need to be made within the main diagnostic services provided internally. The graphs above show the current waiting lists for the main radiology modalities (MRI, CT and USS). The Health Board has also submitted improvement trajectories that cover these areas and map improvements expected this financial year. However, it should be noted that considerable investment is required to ensure this level of improvement is attainable.

The graphs above show there is a significant “tail” on both hospital sites with waits for both MRI and USS. Targeted waiting list management should be implemented to reduce these lengthy waits. Both CT and MRI remain on track in terms of the submitted trajectory but USS remains a concern.

Endoscopy



Issues affecting performance

In order for the Health Board to achieve against the improvement trajectories submitted to Welsh Government, it acknowledges that significant improvement also need to be made within the main diagnostic services provided internally. The graphs above show the current waiting lists for the main endoscopy services split by acute sites. The Health Board has also submitted improvement trajectories that cover these areas and map improvements expected this financial year. However, it should be noted that considerable investment is required to ensure this level of improvement is attainable.

The graphs above show there is significant variation in waits for endoscopy investigations between the two acute hospital sites, with significant difference in the volumes. The length in waiting time has been as a result of shortages in consultant gastroenterologists over recent months. New appointments have now been made and it is anticipated that improvements in this area will be realised within the next quarter. The directorate has also been tasked with reviewing booking processes to ensure there is equity between the two sites and that urgent suspected cancer cases are prioritised.

The trajectory included shows the expected levels of improvement to be achieved by 31st March 2015.

Commissioning

The Information below provides an update on the position at the end of November in relation to services commissioned by Cwm Taf UHB from Cardiff and Vale UHB and also those services commissioned via WHSSC. The comments to the right of the figures provide a narrative of the current position.

Cwm Taf Commissioner Activity Monitoring- 2014-15

Month 9

Comments

Cardiff Summary

Specialty	Month 9				Month 12 Forecast Perf (£)	Month 12 2013-14 Perf (£)	Increase/ (Decrease) Perf (£)
	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)			
Inpatients	1,427	1,274	(153)	(134,662)	(179,550)	(116,380)	(63,170)
Daycases/RDAs	2,039	3,129	1,091	310,458	413,944	502,519	(88,574)
Outpatients	15,114	14,971	(143)	(50,910)	(67,860)	(58,112)	9,768
CAVOC	ibc	ibc	ibc	64,632	145,176	62,456	82,720
AICU				77,017	102,689	31,382	71,307
NICE				922,334	1,218,779	918,191	300,588
Other High Cost				185,962	247,949	132,786	115,163
TOTAL	18,580	19,374	794	1,374,831	1,881,108	1,472,842	408,266

Underperformance on the Cardiff contract for ENT/Dental surgery/urology
Early data shows a reduction in daycase activity- CT aim to reappropriate haematology activity in 2014-15
Underperformance on the Cardiff contract for medical specialties
overspend compared to 13-14
Higher AICU performance than in 2013-14
Early data indicates a crossuse for NICE high cost drugs in 2014-15
Overspend driven by high AICU activity

Cardiff Cost and Volume Contract by Specialty

Specialty	Inpatients				Daycases/RDAs				Outpatients			
	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)
Haematology	107	168	62	51,007	288	1,135	847	200,739	965	1,718	353	8,214
Rheumatology	13	3	(10)	(19,242)	10	117	107	32,686	825	578	(247)	(11,078)
Addiction					242	689	448	84,126				

Savings target in 2014-15 to reappropriate haematology activity
Savings target in 2014-15 to reappropriate rheumatology activity
Savings target in 2014-15 to reappropriate addiction activity

WHSSC Monitoring

Contract	Month 10				Forecast CT Share (£'000)
	Plan (£'000)	Actual (£'000)	Variance (£'000)	CT Share (£'000)	
Cardiff & Vale University Health Board	143,136	140,793	(2,343)	(388)	(460)
Aberdare Bro Morgannwg University Health Board	70,800	70,029	(771)	(83)	(85)
Cwm Taf University Health Board	3,835	3,898	61	8	9
Aneurin Bevan Health Board	2,312	2,465	156	(0)	(1)
Other Welsh LTAs	155,212	155,314	102	21	25
Non Welsh LTAs	78,282	84,272	5,990	261	278
IPM & NCA	38,015	38,409	2,394	250	286
Renal	6,104	5,948	(157)	(8)	(32)
Unallocated Development and Savings targets	8,186	5,798	(2,387)	(350)	(347)
Direct Running Costs	3,832	3,360	(271)	(27)	(36)
Total Expenditure	607,613	607,613	2,774	(316)	(383)
WHSSC Savings Requirement				(353)	(423)
Variance from Cwm Taf Plan				36	30

The WHSSC plan is 423k in excess of what Cwm Taf can afford to meet our financial plan, so an underspend of 423k is required against the WHSSC budget at the end of the year for CT to 'break-even'

The WHSSC month 10 performance is now 36k worse than the Cwm Taf planned underspend, and forecast 30k over budget. Cwm Taf are in ongoing discussions with WHSSC to review options to reduce spend

Commissioning (continued)

The information below provides an update on the position at the end of November in relation to services commissioned by neighbouring Health Boards from Cwm Taf UHB. The comments to the right of the figures provide a narrative update on the current position.

Cwm Taf Provider Activity Monitoring- 2014-15

Month 9

Comments

Summary Contract Performance

Commissioner	Inpatients				Daycases				New Outpatients			
	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)
Aneurin Bevan	4,254	4,633	379	528,583	428	1,104	677	152,910	3,822	5,582	1,760	208,001
Cardiff and Vale	1,241	1,012	(229)	(19,108)	314	351	37	5,266	1,683	1,643	(40)	2,473
ABMU	476	317	(159)	(69,781)	100	111	11	(2,356)	648	478	(170)	(19,327)
ABMU P&S	177	213	36	34,807	84	76	(8)	(338)	267	282	15	1,311
Hywel Dda	44	26	(18)	(9,053)	8	13	5	1,528	32	24	(8)	(1,823)
TOTAL	6,192	6,201	-	465,455	934	1,655	722	157,109	6,452	8,009	1,543	191,135

The Health Board continue to overperform for AB against baseline, as expected, although early indications are that the overperformance is falling as AB repatriate outpatients to YF
Month 9 shows some underperformance for CV on inpatients, following validation of mental illness activity
Both Health Boards aim to repatriate activity in 2014-15. 60% MR negotiated in 2013-14.
The baseline was updated in 2013-14 but some IP growth showing
Cwm Taf only have a small contract with Hywel Dda, some underperformance showing

Contract Performance against RTT Specialties

Specialty	Inpatients				Daycases				New Outpatients			
	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)
General surgery	1,091	1,120	29	24,609	163	314	151	24,030	664	803	139	10,929
Trauma & Orthopaedics	688	556	(132)	(149,313)	76	125	49	7,531	807	1,458	651	80,268
ENT	243	267	25	20,695	22	50	28	12,890	508	562	55	7,673
Ophthalmology	24	16	(8)	(1,197)	34	186	152	60,931	648	620	(28)	(2,327)
Oral Surgery	120	151	31	18,403	64	130	66	19,505	491	601	110	18,434
Cardiology	2	31	29	22,328	1	45	44	4,164	194	267	73	16,537
TOTAL	2,167	2,141	(26)	(64,475)	361	850	489	129,051	3,311	4,311	1,000	131,470

Inpatient overperformance primarily delivered for AH
Significant underperformance for IP, but over on OP. Primarily for AB residents
Some overperformance coming through- AB and ABMU
Significant daycase overperformance being delivered for AB
Some overperformance coming through for AB
Some overperformance coming through for AB

Exceptional Variance against Contract

Contract Specialty	Inpatients				Daycases				New Outpatients			
	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)	Plan	Act	Var	Perf (£)
AB- General Medicine	1,341	1,798	457	549,226	140	301	161	16,298	578	864	286	51,320
AH- General Surgery	776	786	10	12,697	59	187	128	21,866	377	557	180	13,270
AB- Obstetrics	263	445	183	80,018	-	-	-	-	173	324	152	20,548
Cardiff- T&O	155	111	(44)	(3,236)	24	37	13	1,209	278	299	21	1,531

Continued overperformance for AB, predominantly as a result of an emergency/A&E
Overperformance for AB on an RTT specialty- may need to review depending on D&C plans
Significant overperformance for AB, may need to review baseline in future
Minimal variance from contracted levels

Commissioning (continued)

Cwm Taf Residents awaiting treatment at Cardiff and Vale UHB – RTT

	RTT Adjusted Weeks				Grand Total	% Up to 36 Weeks	% > 36 Weeks
	Up to 26 Weeks	27-36 Weeks	37-52 Weeks	>52 Weeks			
Anaesthetics	30				30	100.0%	0.0%
Cardiology	141	10		4	155	97.4%	2.6%
Cardiothoracic Surgery	84	3			87	100.0%	0.0%
Clinical Haematology	23				23	100.0%	0.0%
Clinical Pharmacology	8	2	2		12	83.3%	16.7%
Dental Medicine	2				2	100.0%	0.0%
Dermatology	49	4	8		61	86.9%	13.1%
ENT	70	12	1		83	98.8%	1.2%
Gastroenterology	9	6	3		18	83.3%	16.7%
General Medicine	91	17	20	2	130	83.1%	16.9%
General Pathology	36	12	7		55	87.3%	12.7%
General Surgery	107	29	3	4	143	95.1%	4.9%
Geriatric Medicine	3	1			4	100.0%	0.0%
Maternity	1				1	100.0%	0.0%
Gynaecology	51	10	2	2	65	93.8%	6.2%
Nephrology	9				9	100.0%	0.0%
Neurology	495	25	1	1	522	99.6%	0.4%
Neurosurgery	118	19	3		140	97.9%	2.1%
Ophthalmology	175	36	13	1	225	93.8%	6.2%
Oral Surgery	57				57	100.0%	0.0%
Orthodontics	22				22	100.0%	0.0%
Paediatric Dentistry	15	1	3		19	84.2%	15.8%
Paediatric Neurology	9	1			10	100.0%	0.0%
Paediatric Surgery	74	8	10	2	94	87.2%	12.8%
Paediatrics	72	2			74	100.0%	0.0%
Pain Management	16	2			18	100.0%	0.0%
Rehabilitation	2				2	100.0%	0.0%
Restorative Dentistry	52				52	100.0%	0.0%
Rheumatology	8	2	5	1	16	62.5%	37.5%
Thoracic Medicine	40	4		1	45	97.8%	2.2%
Trauma & Orthopaedics	756	90	26		872	97.0%	3.0%
Urology	67	11	11	9	98	79.6%	20.4%
Grand Total	2692	307	118	27	3146	95.3%	4.6%

The table above depicts the specialty level waiting lists for Cwm Taf patients at Cardiff and Vale University Health Board and also shows the percentage performance against the 36 week target.

It should be noted that the longest waiting patients are within cardiology and urology. there are currently two patients waiting > 200 weeks within cardiology (261 and 275 weeks) and 3 patients waiting > 100 weeks within Urology, the longest wait being 159 weeks.

Commissioning (continued)

Cwm Taf Residents awaiting treatment at Aneurin Bevan HB - RTT	RTT Adjusted Wait					% Up To 36 Weeks	% > 36 Weeks
	Up to 26 Weeks	27-36 Weeks	37-52 Weeks	>52 Weeks	Grand Total		
Cardiology	7	0			7	100.00%	0.00%
Care of the Elderly	2				2	100.00%	0.00%
Dermatology	1				1	100.00%	0.00%
Diabetes And Endocrinology	5				5	100.00%	0.00%
ENT	6	1			7	100.00%	0.00%
Gastroenterology	10	1			11	100.00%	0.00%
General Surgery	12	2		1	15	93.33%	6.67%
Gynaecology	8		1		9	88.89%	11.11%
Haematology	1				1	100.00%	0.00%
Maxillo-Facial	8	2			10	100.00%	0.00%
Neurology	5	1			6	100.00%	0.00%
Ophthalmology	12		2		14	85.71%	14.29%
Orthodontics	1				1	100.00%	0.00%
Pain Management	3				3	100.00%	0.00%
Radiology	2				2	100.00%	0.00%
Respiratory	4				4	100.00%	0.00%
Rheumatology	1				1	100.00%	0.00%
Trauma & Orthopaedics	23	7	4	2	36	83.33%	16.67%
Urology	26	9	1		36	97.22%	2.78%
Grand Total	137	23	8	3	171	93.57%	6.43%

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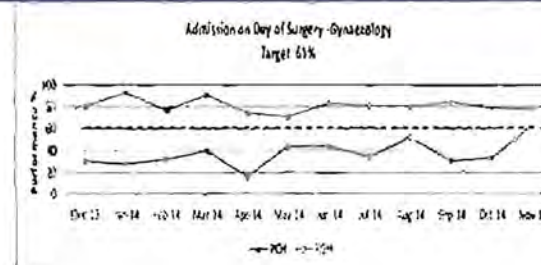
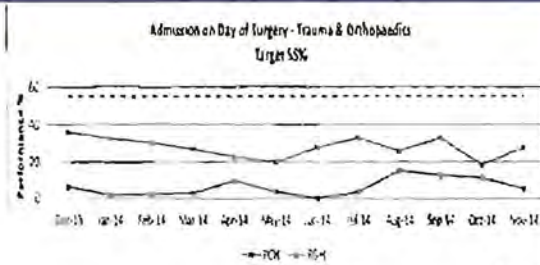
It should be noted that the longest waiting patient is within orthopaedics, there is currently one patients waiting 67 weeks.

Commissioning (continued)

The following table shows the waiting list for Cwm Taf residents for services commissioned via WHSSC at ABMU Health Board and Cardiff and Vale UHB. These waiting lists are monitored on a regular basis by the Contracts and Commissioning Team at Cwm Taf UHB.

Programme Group	Specialty	Wait	Wales				Total
			ABM	Cwm Taf Residents	C&V	Cwm Taf Residents	
Neuro & Complex Conditions	Neurology	> 26 Wks					0
		> 36 Wks					0
	Other Neurology	> 26 Wks					0
		> 36 Wks					0
	Neurosurgery	> 26 Wks			87	16	87
> 36 Wks				21	5	21	
Cardiac	Cardiology	> 26 Wks	213	1	508	14	721
		> 36 Wks	12	0	46	2	58
	Cardiac Surgery	> 26 Wks	174	2	13	2	187
		> 36 Wks	112	1	4	1	116
	Thoracic Surgery	> 26 Wks			31	7	31
> 36 Wks				3	1	3	
Women & Children	Paediatric Surgery	> 26 Wks			197	25	197
		> 36 Wks			89	11	89
	Paediatric Cardiology	> 26 Wks			11	1	11
		> 36 Wks			1	0	1
Cancer	Plastic Surgery	> 26 Wks	564	63			564
		> 36 Wks	259	35			259

Admission on Day of Surgery



Specialty	Target
Orthopaedics	55%
Gynaecology	61%
General Surgery	62%
Urology	75%
ENT	81%
Ophthalmology	79%
Oral Surgery	46%

This indicator measures the percentage of patients, expected to have an overnight stay during their admission, who are admitted to hospital on the day of their intended operation. It should be noted that Ophthalmology inpatients are very small numbers.

Central reporting of this measure ceased with the implementation of the 2013/14 Delivery Framework. However as it is a key indicator of efficiency in elective surgery, it will continue to be reported on a quarterly basis internally. All of the data for this measure is now sourced from CHKS which is more timely and reliable than data previously provided to the national repository.

Issues affecting performance

The main area of concern in relation to this target remains orthopaedics. Gynaecology and General Surgery have both recently improved their performance in this area but remains below their expected targets. It should be noted that the small numbers of patients managed as inpatients at PCH will have an impact on this target in Urology.

Agreed actions

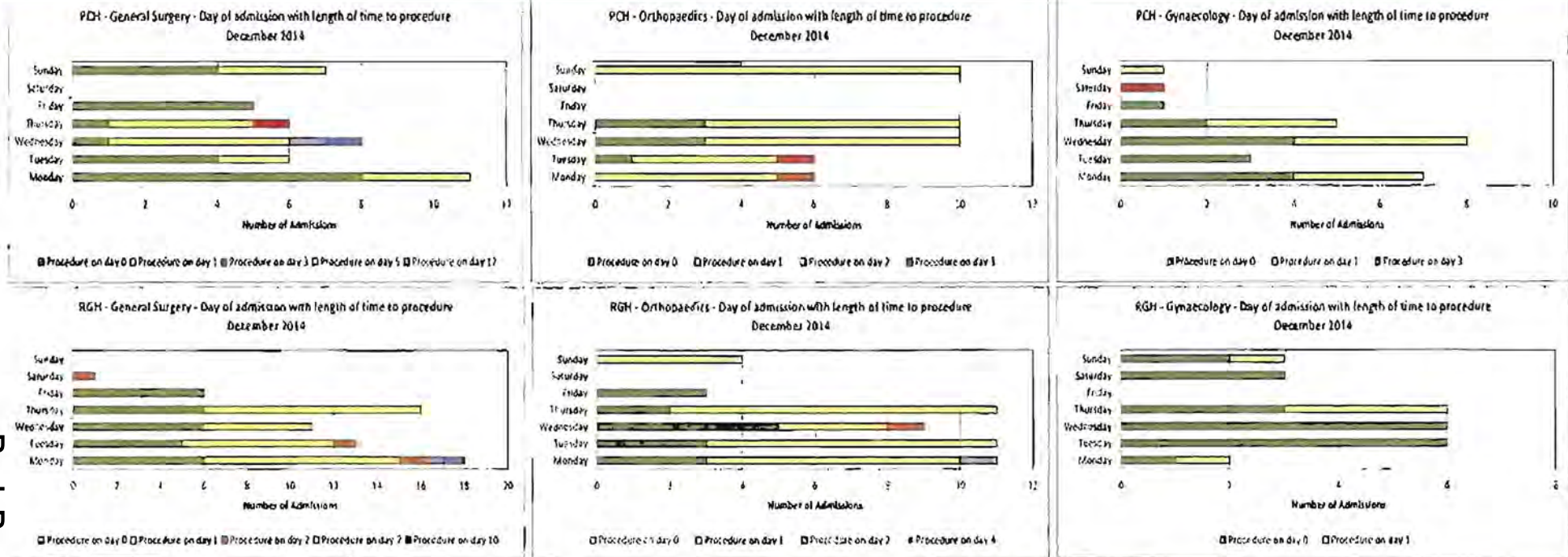
Recent work undertaken with the Clinical Director of Orthopaedics has realised significant improvements in this area. Specific issues addressed were:

- Anaesthetic Pre-assessment.
- Specialty specific pre-operative assessment - including physio and OT input.
- Nursing documentation.

As this work commenced during September, the improvement should filter through to reporting in next month's update.

Indicator Level	Target	November	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Local	To achieve previously set targets by specialty				COO		

Admission on Day of Surgery (Continued)



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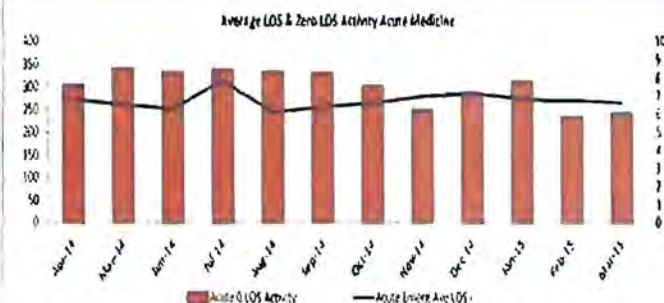
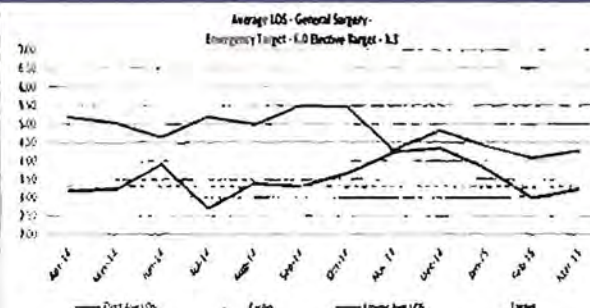
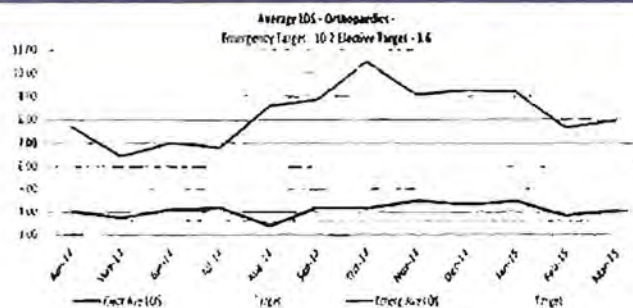
The above charts illustrate the day the procedure was carried out compared to the day the patient was admitted for those specialties not achieving the required day of surgery on admission target

Orthopaedics has the biggest problem in relation to this measure this month, of the 91 elective procedures undertaken only 23 were carried out on the day of admission.

The directorates need to look at why patients are being admitted on days when elective inpatient surgery is not scheduled and look to change this practice to be able to meet the current admission on day of surgery targets.

A pilot with the Clinical Director of Orthopaedics began in August to admit all patients for that specific consultant on the day of surgery. Changes to processes for pre-assessment and nursing documentation resulted in this being a success and has therefore continued. The directorate are in the process of developing a roll-out plan across the specialty for all consultants in the next six months.

Average Length of Stay (AvLOS)



Central reporting of this measure ceased with the implementation of the 2013/14 Delivery Framework. However as it is a key indicator of efficiency in elective and emergency admissions, it will continue to be reported on a monthly basis internally.

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Issues affecting performance

Performance against these indicators remains at the level previously set by the WG targets. However work continues to make improvements wherever possible.

At the moment the Los for Emergency orthopaedic patients has increase month on month since July 2014. Further analysis is being undertaken to understand the root cause of this increase. An improvement in the day of surgery admission rates for Orthopaedics should have a positive impact on the AvLOS performance for elective patients.

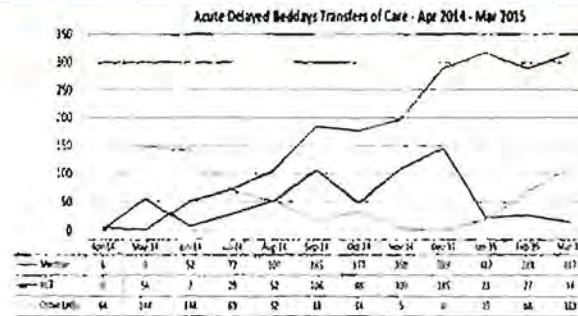
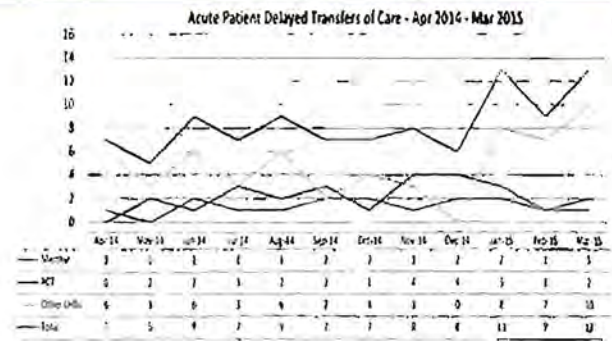
Agreed actions

- Efficiency indicators including LOS will be a focus of the work being undertaken by directorates going forward with the Matrix.
- Focus work on LOS for emergency admissions.
- Derive historic elective and emergency LOS data from CHKS and compare to previous published information.

Indicator Level	Target		February	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Local	Achieve previously set AQF targets	Elective				COO	N/A	
		Non Elective						

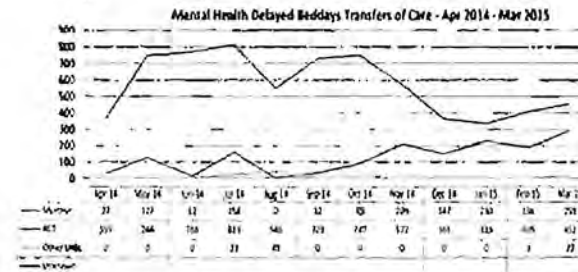
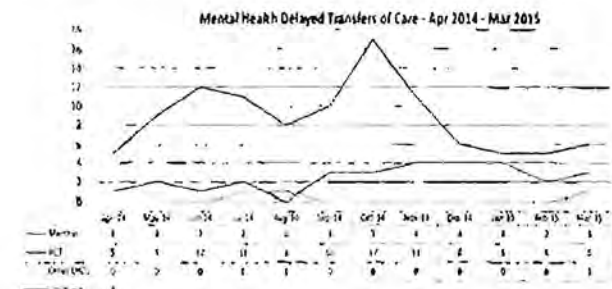
5. Integration and Partnership

Delayed Transfers of Care (DToc)



Issues affecting performance

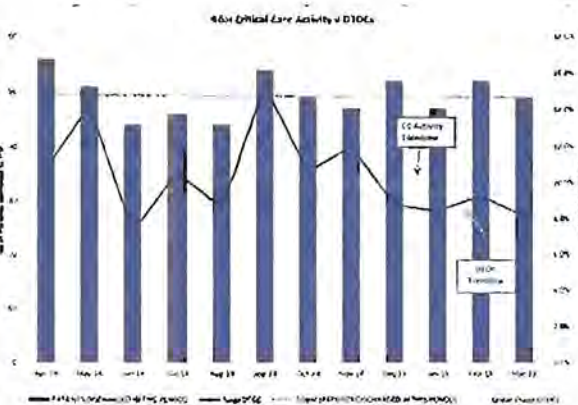
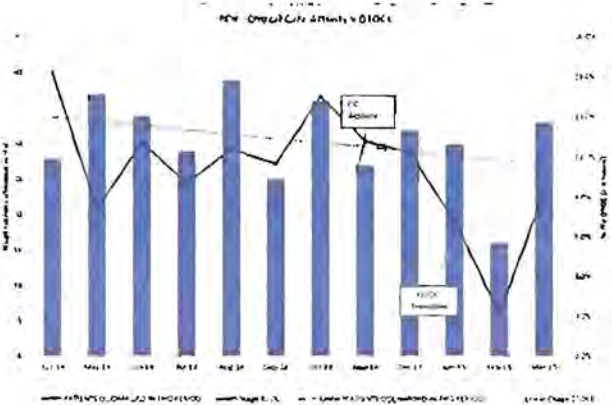
Acute DToc within the Health Board remains very low, and three of the seven reported delays are attributed to neighbouring Health Boards (in the main ABHB). There are however delays at present attributed to delays in social worker assessment which may impact in the forthcoming months. The HB is working closely with LA colleagues to overcome this issue.



From a critical care perspective the delays are calculated on a basis of total number of delayed hours as a percentage of the total number of hours used. The expected level of DToc by the National Critical Care Network is no more than 5%.

Further work is required to address delayed discharges for patients leaving the critical care environment.

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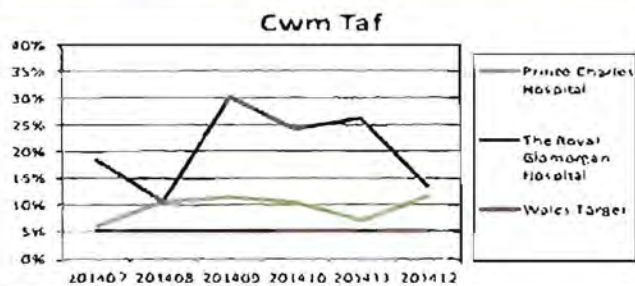


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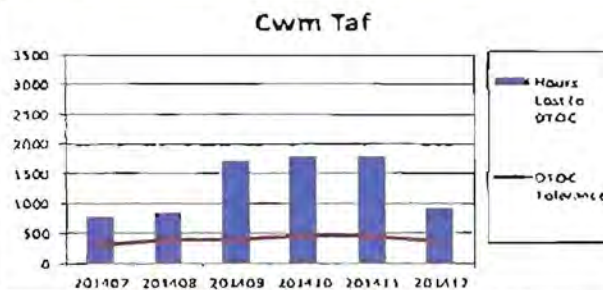
- Continue joint working between Health and Local Authority colleagues.
- Address delays at ward level to facilitate timely discharge (within 4 hours) of patients recovering from critical care admission.

Delayed Transfer of Care (Continued)

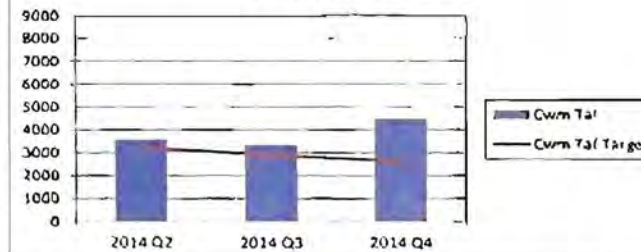
% DTOC Bed Occupancy - Wales Target 5%



Hours lost to DTOC reduction needed to meet target

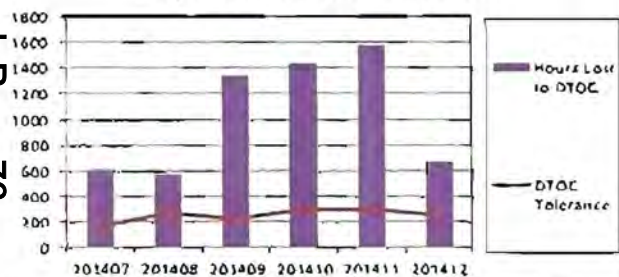


Hours lost to DTOC - quarterly performance

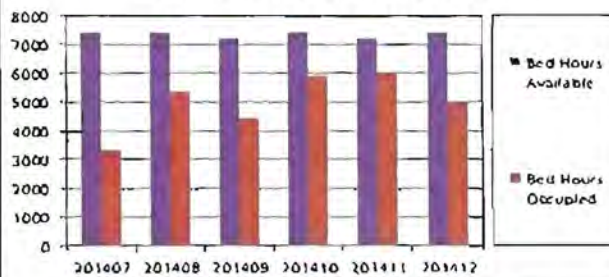


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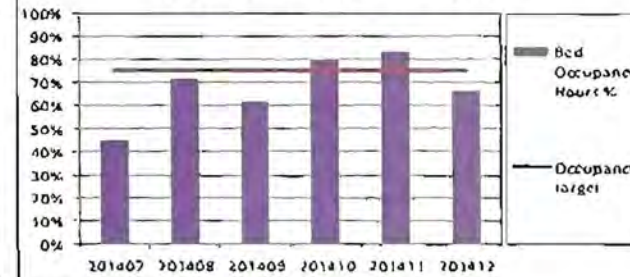
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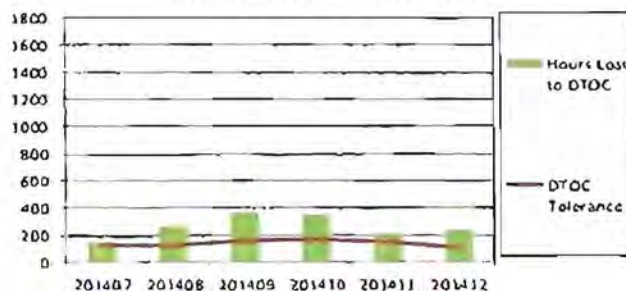


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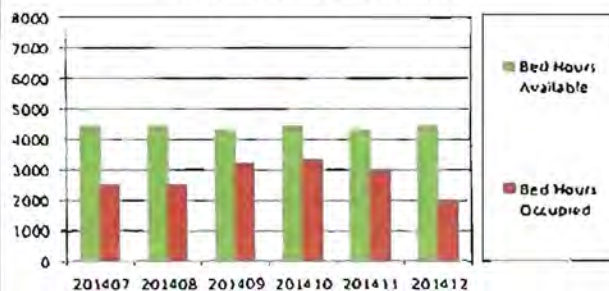


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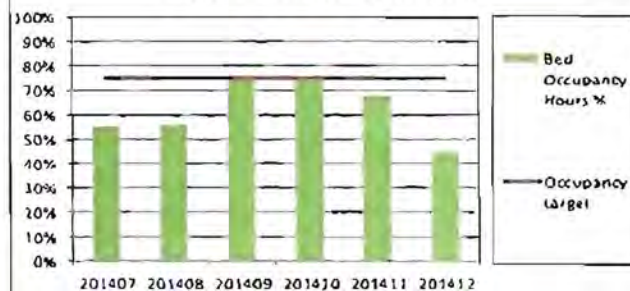
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Primary Care

Quality Outcomes Framework (QOF)

The main measure for primary care at the moment is via the Quality Outcomes Framework (QOF).

Examples of QOF indicators are able to supply the following information:

- The percentage of patients with hypertension in whom there is a record of the blood pressure in the preceding 9 months - attracts 8 points
- All patients with coronary heart disease - attracts 4 points
- The percentage of patients with a diagnosis of heart failure (diagnosed after 1 April 2006) which has been confirmed by an echocardiogram or by specialist assessment - attracts 6 points.

QOF	Access		Enhanced Services	Cwm Taf as a Whole Immunisation Cover				Premises
	Appts after 5pm	Thurs opening		2yrs MMR1	5yrs MMR2	16yrs MMR1	16yrs MMR2	
38	47	41	39	95.90%				36
7	1	6	7		92.00%	92.00%		20
							10%	

Access

In July 2012, the Health Minister announced a three-phase strategy for improving access to GPs, with a focus on improving access for working people. Phase one was to improve access between 5pm and 6.30pm and to reduce those practices with half day closing during the week. Phase two will be to improve access after 6.30pm and phase three to improve access at weekends.

Enhanced Services

Our Primary Care practitioners are expected to carry out core services for their practice population. In addition to these core services are additional or enhanced services. These may be carried out by some or all of GP practices depending on the levels of demand and specialism within each practice.

There are 3 levels of enhanced services within NHS Wales:

- Direct Enhanced Services (DES) - all Health Boards have a duty to commission a level of DES for their population. Immunisation services are included within DES.
- National Enhanced Services (NES) - Health Boards are not duty bound to commission NES but where they do there is a national minimum specification that forms part of any agreement. Minor injury services and INR monitoring form part of the NES package.
- Local Enhanced Services (LES) - Health Boards are able to negotiate terms of any LES freely. Within Cwm Taf some minor surgical procedures are commissioned from GPs with special interest in minor surgery.

The information in the table above applies the criteria explained above to the 49 Primary Care practices within Cwm Taf HB. Performance is broken down as follows:

QOF indicator - the number of practices that achieve a level of over 950 points as green, between 900 and 950 as amber and < 900 points as red.

Enhanced services - practices are considered green if there is a take up of 80%, amber for 60% and red for 50% of core enhanced services.

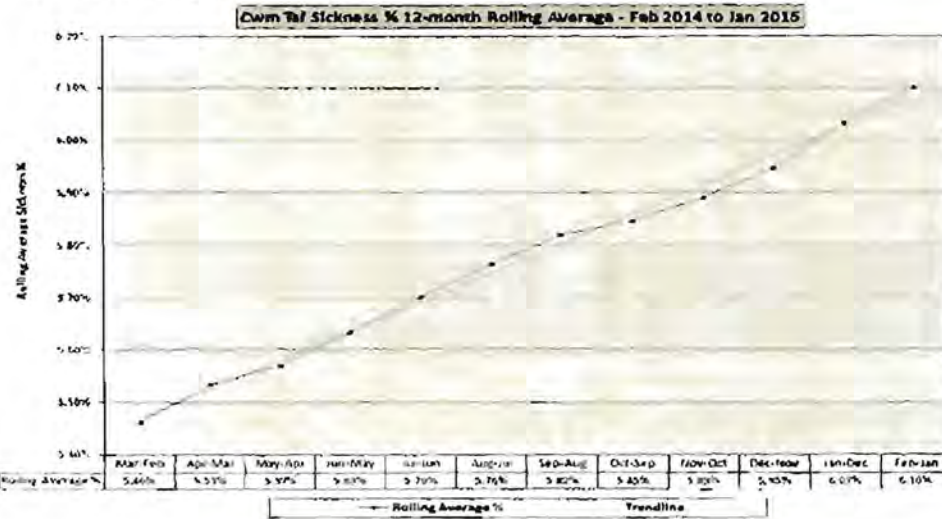
Condition of premises is indicated as Green if considered to be very good/good, amber if reasonable and red if in a poor condition.

Indicator Level	Target	July	YTD From May 2013	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework					Director of Primary Care & Mental Health		

6. Allocation and Use of Resource

Sickness Absence

A considerable amount of analysis is carried out on a regular basis within the Workforce and OD Directorate on sickness absence rates, personal development review (PDR) rates and Consultant Job Plans, which is included below in the Integrated Performance Dashboard. The source of data for this analysis is the Electronic Staff Record (ESR).



Issues affecting performance

The most recent ESR sickness data for January 2015 shows that the "rolling" average, which analyses the sickness rate over the last 12 month period is being reported as 6.10%. Since February 2014 sickness absence has increased month on month from 5.46% to 6.10%.

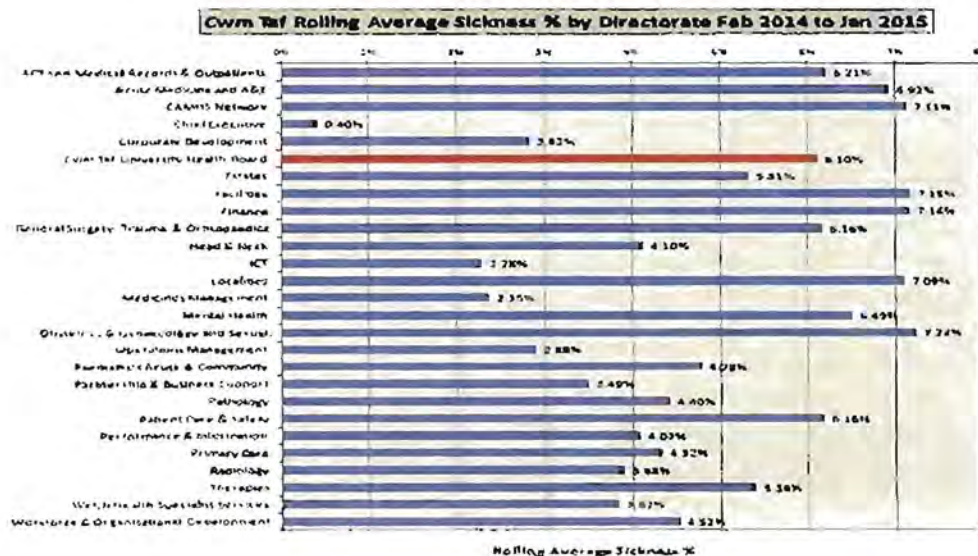
The management of sickness and the overall reduction in the Health Board's sickness percentage remains a fundamental key priority within the Workforce & OD Unit. Managing sickness absence and staff health and wellbeing needs to be strongly embedded into organisational culture, with an understanding of the links between sickness absence and the impact on patient care.

Efforts are being focused on the following areas with the ultimate aim of reducing sickness absence across the Health Board:

- Schedule of Audits to monitor compliance with the Sickness Absence Policy;
- Employee Engagement training and support for all managers;
- Analysing sickness absence data to highlight trends, patterns, etc;
- Continue roll out of ESR and E-Rostering with close to real time reporting;
- Encouraging staff to look after their own well-being, through I-CARE;
- Building an effective Occupational Health & Wellbeing Service.

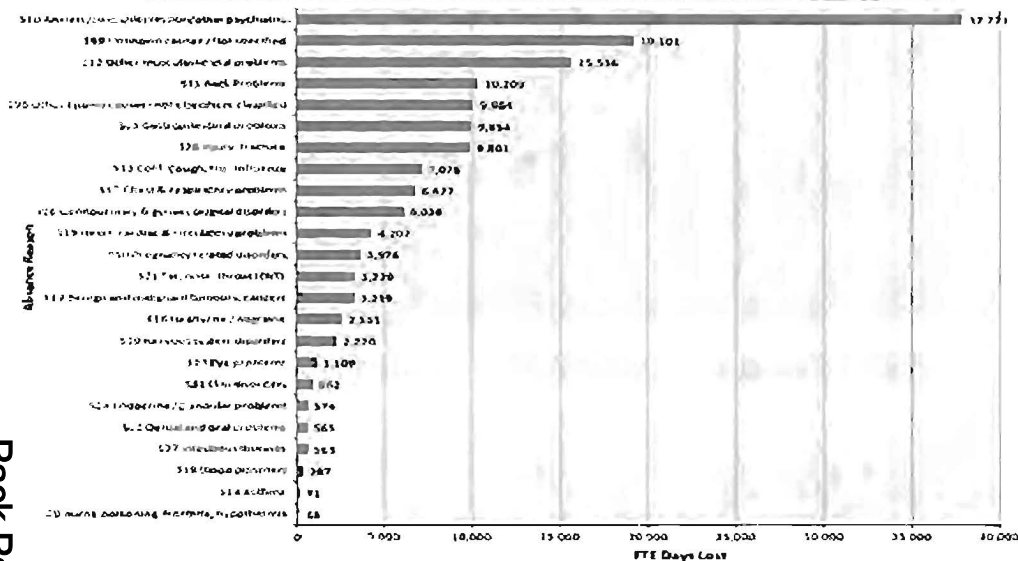
The second graph identifies the 'rolling average' broken down by directorate. Areas with consistently high levels of sickness absence over the last 12 months are:

Obs, Gynae & Sexual Health	7.22%	Finance	7.16%
Facilities	7.15%	CAMHS	7.11%
Acute Medicine & A&E	6.92%	Network	6.49%
		Mental Health	



Sickness Absence (cont)

Cwm Taf Sickness Total Abs Days Lost (FTE) by Absence Reason - Feb 2014 to Jan 2015



The third graph highlights the reasons for absence over the last 12 month period. The highest cause of sickness within the UHB continues to be recorded as stress/anxiety/depression at 37,771 days lost. The second highest is unknown causes at 19,101 days lost, thirdly MSK at 15,536 days lost.

The focus is on:

- Managers reporting sickness as unknown causes are being supported to ensure accurate recording in the future
- The highest reason for staff sickness absence is mental health and stress and yet this remains one of the underdeveloped health and wellbeing areas for OH and managers. We need to provide managers with training on identifying and managing mental health issues;
- Staff training in sickness absence and supporting health and wellbeing is focused primarily on providing only policy-based training, more needs to be done to equip managers with training on the range of soft skills required to manage sickness absence.

The final table is the official (ESR derived) validated data from Stats Wales which compares the sickness absence rate for organisations within NHS Wales. The timeline Jul-Sep 2014 remains current with an update due in May 2015. This shows that Cwm Taf UHB has the second highest % for sickness absence at 6%.

The three University Health Boards that have the highest sickness absence rates have some of the highest deprivation scores. Populations with high deprivation have poorer health and increased levels of chronic conditions. Within Cwm Taf UHB our staff are also our community, therefore there is a correlation between sickness absence being higher due to the high deprivation with the geographic areas of the Health Board.

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	2012	2013	Jan-Mar 2014	Apr-Jun 2014	Jul-Sep 2014
All Organisations	5.4	5.3	5.7	5.2	5.5
Betsi Cadwaladar UHB	5.1	5.0	5.3	4.9	5.1
Powys Teaching LHB	5.1	5.2	5.0	4.8	4.7
Hywel Dda UHB	4.8	4.8	5.4	5.0	5.4
Abertawe Bro Morgannwg UHB	5.9	6.0	5.8	5.3	5.8
Cwm Taf UHB	5.7	5.4	6.1	5.8	6.0
Aneurin Bevan UHB	5.5	5.2	5.6	5.0	5.3
Cardiff & Vale UHB	5.5	5.6	6.0	5.4	5.6
Public Health Wales NHS Trust	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.6	3.3
Velindre NHS Trust	4.1	3.9	3.7	3.2	3.6
Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust	7.2	7.6	8.1	7.8	8.6

Sickness Absence (cont)

Agreed actions

A detailed action plan has been developed jointly by the Occupational health and Wellbeing and W&OD Business Partners informed by feedback from operational management. Current focus include:

- Improving the health and wellbeing of staff through further development of the corporate health standard activity.
- Improving the quality, accuracy and timeliness of sickness absence through maximum utilisation of ESR Improved reporting and data cleansing.
- Improved analysis of reasons, patterns and trends to identify hot spot areas, understand reasons and contributing factors and ensure high level support and intervention is provided to these.
- Improving access to Occupational Health Services and ensuring the quality of services provided by OH is fit for purpose and facilitates effective management of staff absence and wellbeing.

Training managers to effectively engage their staff as evidence shows that an engaged employee takes less sick time, is more productive, is motivated and is more likely to suggest improvements to patient care, etc.

Supporting managers to manage change effectively.

Auditing records in areas with high levels of sickness absence to ensure that the Sickness Absence Policy is being adhered to and managers are managing the absence.

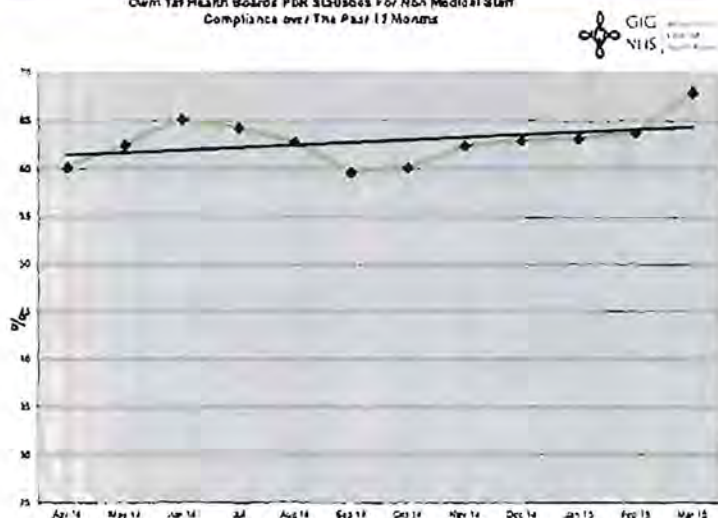
Delivering bespoke training for managers as required.

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Indicator Level	Target	January	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework (Sickness)	4.5%	6.10%	N/A		Director of Workforce and Organisational Development	31 st March 2014	

PDR, Appraisal and Job Plan Compliance

Cwm Taf Health Boards PDR Statistics For Non Medical Staff Compliance over The Past 17 Months

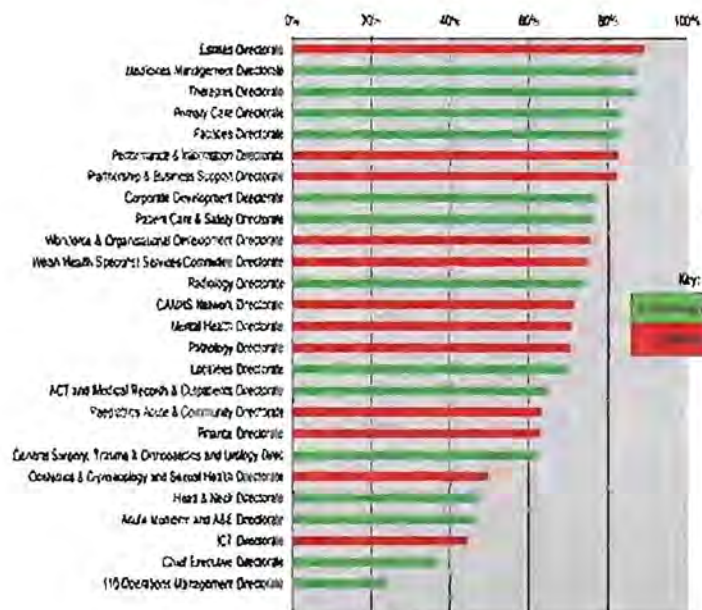


- As at 1st April 2015 compliance is **67.96%**, an increase of 4.15% since last month, representing a significant jump from the previously slow, upward trend since Oct 14
- March 2015 has seen more Directorates increase significantly in compliance ranging between 7%-54%, notably Acute Medicine & A&E (11%), ACT Med Recs & OPD (7%), Radiology (54%), and Therapies (8%). However these improvements in compliance are offset by decreases in other Directorates
- The majority of Directorates are performing above 60% compliance with only 6 below 50%
- The number of staff progressing through 2nd gateways without a PDR on a monthly basis has remained static at **55%**.
- The volume of PDRs recorded via ESR Self Service is Increasing as Self Service training is rolled out for Managers/Supervisors.

Using ESR Business Intelligence to report PDR compliance

- ESR Business Intelligence (BI) continues to be used to report PDR compliance to Directorate managers & Director of Nursing as part of their monthly PDR updates, Directorate feedback on this has been positive.
- Work is on-going to develop more compliance reports using BI. Such reports are anticipated April 2015.
- The requirement remains for managers to routinely check the recorded data, identify any anomalies in PDR recordings and ESR structures and also to prioritise those staff approaching 2nd gateways. These simple checks will ensure the accuracy of reporting and a reflection of true compliance.

Non Medical Staff - PDR Compliance by Directorate in 1st April 2015



- The Learning & Development Department continue to support Directorates in the following ways to improve PDR compliance: -
 - Providing a comprehensive suite of reports to DMs on a monthly basis providing the latest PDR compliance data, contextualising each Directorate's performance; what to do to improve compliance; where to seek further help and guidance
 - Supporting the PDR agenda at the Clinical & Corporate Business Meetings through preparation of summary reports in advance of each CBM and attendance where necessary
 - Assigning L&D officers to individual Directorates to assist in the identification and rectifying of report anomalies; develop compliance plans; provide 1:1 support to managers; raising awareness at briefing and department meetings
 - Training Reviewers to enable them to record PDRs via ESR Self Service; offering on-going support and guidance.
 - PDR training for Reviewers is an accredited 1-day programme offered on a twice monthly basis to all Directorates. Uptake of this programme is excellent.

PDR, Appraisal and Job Plan Compliance (cont)

Committee Job Plans as at end of Jan 2015

Directorate	Assessments	With Expired Plan	% With Expired Plan	With Unsigned Plan	% With Unsigned Plan	With Current Plan	% With Current Plan
100 ACT and Medical Records & Outpatients Directorate	33	25	75.80%	0	0.00%	4	12.12%
110 Acute Medicine and A&E Directorate	59	45	76.27%	3	5.08%	7	11.88%
120 CAMHS Network Directorate	24	18	75.00%	0	0.00%	6	25.00%
130 Chief Executive Directorate	2	1	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
130 General Surgery, Trauma & Orthopaedics and Urology Directorate	38	36	94.74%	0	0.00%	2	5.26%
130 Head & Neck Directorate	39	11	27.95%	1	2.56%	7	17.95%
140 Localities Directorate	3	2	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
140 Mental Health Directorate	18	17	94.44%	0	0.00%	1	5.56%
150 Obstetrics & Gynaecology and Sexual Health Directorate	14	14	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
150 Paediatrics Acute & Community Directorate	15	15	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
160 Pathology Directorate	12	7	58.33%	0	0.00%	3	25.00%
170 Patient Care Directorate	1	1	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
180 Radiology Directorate	19	16	84.21%	0	0.00%	3	15.79%
190 Health Improvement Services Committee Directorate	2	2	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Grand Total	258	221	85.66%	4	1.55%	33	12.79%

% With Expired Plan



% With Unsigned Plan



% With Current Plan



SAS Job Plans as at end of Jan 2015

Directorate	Assessments	With Expired Plan	% With Expired Plan	With Unsigned Plan	% With Unsigned Plan	With Current Plan	% With Current Plan
100 ACT and Medical Records & Outpatients Directorate	17	7	41.18%	0	0.00%	10	58.82%
110 Acute Medicine and A&E Directorate	18	18	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
120 CAMHS Network Directorate	12	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
130 General Surgery, Trauma & Orthopaedics and Urology Directorate	25	18	71.6%	0	0.00%	1	3.96%
130 Head & Neck Directorate	18	18	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
140 Localities Directorate	14	11	78.57%	0	0.00%	3	21.43%
140 Mental Health Directorate	2	2	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
150 Obstetrics & Gynaecology and Sexual Health Directorate	7	7	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
150 Paediatrics Acute & Community Directorate	5	5	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
160 Pathology Directorate	1	1	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
170 Patient Care & Safety Directorate	1	1	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Grand Total	115	101	87.83%	0	0.00%	14	12.17%

% With Expired Plan



% With Unsigned Plan



% With Current Plan



The Medical appraisal year commences 1st April each year. A total of 55.1% of doctors have had an appraisal for the period up to 31st January 2015. This includes GP's for Merthyr Tydfil and RCT.

Job planning needs to be re-engorgated. An e-mail to all CDs and DMs was sent out on 11th February appealing for all completed job plans to be sent to W&OD for recording on ESR and this work is ongoing. A number of Directorates, showing in the red category on the dashboards, undertook job

plan reviews June 2012 - December 2013 and these now need to be reviewed. All directorates are actively working on setting up and undertaking job plan review meetings, including Acute Medicine and A&E, Pathology and CAMHS. The Mental Health Directorate has provided job plan review meeting schedules for the period 2014 to 2016 and plans to dovetail reviews to co-incide with the anniversary of start dates; other directorates prefer to undertake job plan review meetings within a two or three week window each year - ACT and Radiology fall into this category and their job plan reviews are usually undertaken during January and February. The end of January figure for consultant job planning has dipped, whilst we await the newly completed job plans for ACT (scheduled January and April this year). Resource within Paediatrics has been stretched, due to work on the Alliance / SWP, however job planning based on new service models is about to commence. The new Programme Manager started the refresh of Job Plan schedules started during February and is this is ongoing.

Indicator Level	Target	March	YTD	Forecast	Executive Lead:	Expected Date to meet Standard	Revised Date to meet Standard
Delivery Framework (PDR)	100%	67.96%			Director of Workforce and Organisational Development	31 st March 2015	

7. Glossary

Acronym	Detail	Explanation
BADS	British Association of Day Surgery	A basket of surgical procedures deemed suitable for management via a short hospital stay by the British Association of Day Surgery.
CHKS	Caspe Healthcare Knowledge Systems	A Limited Company that is a provider of Healthcare Intelligence.
DNA	Did not attend outpatient clinic	A count of patients that failed to attend an outpatient appointment and did not notify the hospital in advance.
DSU	Delivery and Support Unit	The Welsh Government established the Delivery and Support Unit (DSU) to assist National Health Service (NHS) Wales in delivering the key targets and levels of service expected by both the Welsh Government and the public of Wales.
DTOC	Delayed transfers of care	A patient who continues to occupy a hospital bed after his/her ready-for transfer of care date during the same inpatient episode.
EDDS	Emergency Department Data Set	A data set which is made up of both injury data and illness data received from each of the Major Emergency Departments across Wales.

Acronym	Detail	Explanation
ERAS	Enhanced Recovery after Surgery	A programme to support enhanced recovery/rehabilitation after surgery
FCE	Finished Consultant Episode	A period of care under one consultant within one hospital
HAI	Hospital Acquired Infection	Any infection that occurs during a patient's stay in hospital
HPV	Human Papilloma Virus vaccination	A vaccination to reduce the incidence of communicable diseases
KSF & PDR	Knowledge & Skills Framework / Personal Development Review	KSF defines & describes the knowledge & skills NHS staff need to apply in their work to deliver quality services and is used to review learning & development needs
MMR	Mumps, Measles, Rubella vaccination	A vaccination to reduce the incidence of communicable diseases
Mortality	Measured as Crude Death Rate	The simplest death rate is the crude death rate & is usually calculated for periods of one year
NUSC	Non Urgent Suspected Cancer	Patients referred as non urgent patients but subsequently diagnosed with cancer should start definitive treatment within 31 days of diagnosis, regardless of the referral route
NWIS	NHS Wales Informatics Service	Have a national role to support NHS Wales to make better use of IT skills & resources
QOF	Quality Outcomes Framework	The Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF) is a voluntary system of financial incentives. It is about rewarding GP's for good practice through participation in an annual quality improvement cycle.
RAMI	Risk Adjusted Mortality Index	The NHS uses a number of indicators to measure the quality & safety of healthcare in Wales
RTT	Referral to treatment	95% of patients referred to Secondary Care planned care services to receive their treatment within 26 weeks. All patients referred to RTT included services are to receive treatment within 36 weeks of referral.
CTP	Care and Treatment Planning	New measure within Mental Health Services
LPMHSS	Local Primary Mental Health Support	Under provisions of section 2 of the Mental Health (Wales) Measure 2010, all local

Acronym	Detail	Explanation
	Services	mental health partners must work jointly to agree a scheme for the provision of mental health services within the area.
TOMS	Theatre Operating Management System	Cwm Taf's local electronic system for managing theatre activity.
USC	Urgent Suspected Cancer	Patients referred as urgent suspected cancer and subsequently diagnosed with malignant cancer to start definitive treatment within 62 days of receipt of referral

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Title:	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board Targeted Intervention January / February 2015
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Summary of Key Issues:	<p>Welsh Government (WG) decided in November 2014 to escalate BCUHB to 'targeted intervention' under the NHS Wales Escalation & Intervention Arrangements Protocol.</p> <p>The report on this targeted intervention, conducted by Ann Lloyd, is attached. The Board is asked to note the report and, taking into account any subsequent feedback received from WG, to confirm the next steps including publication arrangements.</p>
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	Risk & Assurance	Corporate risk CRR20 – governance arrangements

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BETSI CADWALADR UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD

TARGETED INTERVENTION. JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2015.

FINAL.

1. INTRODUCTION.

The Welsh Government decided in November 2014 to escalate BC UHB to “targeted intervention” under the NHS Wales Escalation and Intervention arrangements protocol, March 2014. This decision was based on a discussion between the Welsh Government, the WAO and HIW. The aim of the protocol is to identify potentially serious issues affecting NHS Wales and to ensure that appropriate action is taken. Targeted intervention is action designed to strengthen the capacity and capability of the NHS body to drive improvements.

The reasons for the increased concerns relating to BC UHB were:

- Significant changes in the financial plan for 2014/15 and concerns about the ability of the organisation to deliver a revised plan.
- Significant concerns around the delivery, safety and quality of the mental health services
- The management and control of capital schemes, capital planning and capital cash control

In addition, concerns were raised about the performance of the organisation against Welsh Government service performance targets.

The aim of the intervention was to provide support to help the Health Board to succeed by ensuring that there was a clear understanding of the challenges they faced, that plans were developed which addressed those concerns with urgency and that the capacity to deliver the necessary action was put into place urgently. The reviewer was as to look at how the organisation made decisions and the capacity and capability of the organisation to deliver its key priorities.

This report outlines the outcome of the first stage of targeted intervention – namely the diagnostic review. The work was undertaken during December 2014 and January 2015, led by Ann Lloyd CBE, independent advisor, assisted by Margaret Pratt who undertook the forensic financial and governance review. Lesley Law, Welsh Government and Llinos Roberts BCUHB provided invaluable help in tracking down and analysing the necessary documentation. The leaders of the organisation were interviewed in depth during the course of the review and the intervention team is very grateful for those open, frank and illuminating discussions and the information provided. The intervention lead will report to the Chair, Mr. Peter Higson OBE whose help in facilitating

access to all material information and individuals has been greatly appreciated.

The review covers the following areas:

- An assessment as to why the Boards plans have not been delivered as intended, why the financial situation has deteriorated and an assessment of the financial and performance prospects for 2015/16.
- An assurance review into the new controls in respect of the management of capital schemes
- Governance and controls with specific reference to those that impact on the quality, performance and financial position of the organisation
- An assurance review of the actions being planned and taken to address quality concerns in the mental health services
- The 3 year plan and the operational plans and strategies
- The functioning, scrutiny and decision making processes of the Board
- An assessment of the capacity and capability of the organisations leadership to deliver.

Criteria for de-escalation will be determined at the end of Stage 1. As the aim of the intervention is to support the organisation the reporting line will be to the BC UHB Chair who will be accountable for taking the appropriate action. The DG/CEO NHS Wales will be copied into all correspondence and reports generated by Stage 1 (diagnostic review).

2. FINANCE and control.

Analysis.

The organisation has a history of failure to address an escalating cost base – clearly outlined in the independent review undertaken by Alison Lord of Allegra in 2012.

The IMs over time became increasingly frustrated about their inability to effectively hold the executives to account to gain the necessary assurance due to the absence of quality information. This culminated in the former Finance Director, the Chair of Audit and the Chair of Finance “whistle blowing” their concerns to the Welsh Audit Office in September 2012.

There was a change of leadership at Board level in 2013/14.

2014/15 financial plan.

An incremental approach was adopted to budget setting by rolling forward the 2013/14 budget allocations adjusted for known cost pressures. The budget was based on there being no change in demand for services during the year.

The Board adopted an outline plan which defined cost improvement proposals to fit the resource envelope of £1.3 bn.

An underlying deficit of £20.2m was brought forward from 2013/14. Cost pressures of £17.8m were identified. Savings targets of £76.3m were identified which included service disinvestments of £33.7m. (It is disappointing to note that a report commissioned from Deloitte, December 2013 into the efficiency of their services which recommended that the organisation could save approximately £107m was never actioned at the time. It is now being used by the new PMO.)

The annual operational plan was adopted in May 2014 and gave assurance about the risks to the achievement of statutory financial duties.

At that time IMs identified the following risks to delivery – the need for disinvestment and in which areas, savings plans representing 73% of the whole had yet to be identified, additional savings could be required as part of the national pay negotiations, the degree to which the CPGs were committed to make the necessary savings, the accountability mechanisms for delivery, that no payback of the overspend covered by the Welsh Government in 2013/14 would be required. They also identified specifically the risk of weak integration between finance, workforce and service planning and the exercising of accountability generally.

It became clear by July 2014 that, despite the assurances in the operational plan, the savings plans required from the CPGs were not being delivered to full effect and additional expenditure on locum and agency staff was required to maintain safe services. No firm plans for significant service disinvestment to deliver £33m had been agreed. The reported position at the July 2014 Finance committee was that planned savings should have been running at £4.1m per month and were in fact at £3.5m; the adverse variance at the end of June was £15.259m with a monthly run rate over allocation of £5m. The forecast deficit for the year was identified at that time as £35m. Causes for concern were the cost of drugs and agency and locum costs. The IMs asked for the timescale and mechanisms for disinvestment and for assurance that the savings would be made.

However at the same Finance committee, it was recognised that the capacity planning tool used was seriously flawed and that a further £17.236m was required to reach tier 1 RTT targets.

The adverse variances against plan identified in July 2014 have continued and the Board has not been able to realise a balanced plan.

A new FD came into post in August 2014.

In December he presented to the Board a suite of additional costs savings in order to try to mitigate the increasing escalation of the run rate, with a year

end forecast of £76m – less £37m assistance from Welsh Government – leaving a potential year end deficit of £39m. These costs savings were clearly identified in terms of the potential risk of being achieved. The new FD has clearly risk assessed the proposals and reported to the Board those that are of particularly high risk, which at the February confidential Board session, stood at £5.4m of the agreed additional measures. He does not believe that these can be achieved.

Some improvement has been secured through these measures and the increasing grip being exercised through the FD and the new COO, who came into post at the end of September 2014 and via a new PMO which started operating in November 2014. By the end of Month 10 the run rate has reduced to £4.1m over plan (or £1.2 m with WG assistance) and the cumulative deficit stands at £58.6m (or £29.4m with WG assistance). However this picture is skewed because of an adverse variance caused through a WHSSC in month adverse variance of £1.2m in February 2015. The Health Board does not directly control the WHSSC expenditure. It is therefore vital that there should be an improvement in the communication and forecasting between the Health Boards and WHSSC to ensure that there is absolute control and clarity about the performance and financial management of the specialist contracts and the consequences for the bottom line for the individual Health Boards.

The forecast deficit to the end of the year remains at £27.5m This will be a challenging target to achieve. Much hope is being placed in the effectiveness of the PMO to provide assurance and support to deliver the required savings. The organisation acknowledges that it needs to influence provider behaviour in the areas of CHC, GP prescribing and WHSSC commissioning and control. The organisation is also assuming that it does not have to repay the previous year's brokerage.

Cash.

Of considerable concern is the fact that the organisation will run out of cash in March. The gross year end cash shortfall is £33.0m; they will receive additional working capital cash from WG of £6.3m and there are other net changes to forecast which equate to £0.7m.

To overcome the estimated £26m cash shortfall the Board agreed in February 2015 to delay HMRC payments of £11.5m and to delay paying the NHS pensions agency at £9.1m This still left them with a net cash shortfall of £5.4m for which there are no proposals. However this problem has now been resolved by Welsh Government providing the necessary cover. It is important that steps are taken to ensure that such a cash shortfall does not occur again.

Summary.

The financial situation is very serious this year – and the achievability of breakeven in 2015/16 is even more serious and remote. Indeed the prospects for the coming three years are exceptionally difficult. (See the section on the strategy and the three year plan.) The new FD has exercised a grip on the management of money and reports the issues to the Board and the Finance Committee in a clear and concise way but he cannot achieve success alone. He has indicated to the Board and the corporate directors group the very grave difficulties with which they are faced. It is of concern that within the Board there is a sense of inevitability about the results. A question to the Chair would be whether or not he considers that the current Board is able as constituted to make the radical decisions required to balance safe services and resources effectively. It is also of concern that the Chair could not gain sufficient assurance about the performance of the organisation in his first six months to have enabled him to have instituted a recovery programme at an earlier date. There is also a real need to ensure that the executive team and senior staff are very clear about the priorities they need to pursue, priority setting having been seen to be very variable in the recent past.

Much hope and expectation is being invested in the new management team as it comes into post together with the effectiveness of the PMO – but the management of the resources available remains an issue for the whole of the organisation and a radical change in culture and accountability is needed together with a very clear strategy to deliver safe and sustainable services. To date all the action and responsibility seems to be vested in the FD and the COO; action appears not to be regarded as a responsibility for the whole of the executive team (excluding the MD and ND who are wrestling with the safety and sustainability of services). This is neither a desirable nor sustainable position.

The prevalent culture of “bail out” from the Welsh Government must change. Additional money from the Welsh Government should be used to improve health and care systems, not to cover the “bottom line”, especially as the CEO considers that there is sufficient resource within the organisation to run the services required for the population; he considers that much of the resource is currently being wasted through duplication and a lack of efficiency.

A summary of the financial review undertaken by Margaret Pratt is found as Appendix A.

Action required.

- As a matter of urgency the Board needs to agree its clinical and service strategy to ensure that the organisation can deliver safe and sustainable cost effective services from within its resource envelope.
- The strategy needs to be underpinned by a sound three year plan which clearly indicates the accountability for delivery and the steps to be taken in financial and service recovery.
- The CEO should ensure that the financial plans presented to the committees and the Board are fully worked up, owned and risk assessed.
- The Board should be firm in declining to adopt financial plans until it is assured that they are fully aligned with agreed strategies and plans – workforce, estates, services etc., are practical, realistic and achievable, are underpinned by agreed and realistic timescales and action plans and are underpinned by risk and sensitivity analyses.
- It is imperative that the Board sets plans for 2015 – 16 that are practical, realistic and achievable. The CEO and his team need to ensure that the financial plans presented to the Board for approval in March 2015 are owned by the service leaders charged with their delivery, are backed by definitive plans for delivery within timescales and metrics for achievement, are subject to a clear accountability framework and a system of effective incentives and sanctions and have been comprehensively risk assessed. They must be underpinned by action plans to manage and mitigate emerging risks.
- The FD is undertaking zero based budgeting for 2015/16. However this approach can only be effective if supported by clear and accurate clinical service, workforce, performance and estates plans. The Board must assure itself that these are in place and are deliverable.
- The CEO and FD should consider the level of reserves to be held for 2015/16, taking into account experience in 2014/15 and the knock on effect of the additional savings required.

3. CONTROL OF CAPITAL SCHEMES and the management of capital schemes and spend.

Analysis.

Considerable control problems have been experienced over the management of capital schemes and until the Welsh Government is satisfied that better controls have been instituted then this area will remain the subject of intervention.

In the light of the criticisms and concerns engendered by the lack of controls the Health Board Commissioned Capita to undertake an independent review. Capita reported their conclusions and recommendations to the Corporate Directors group in December 2014. The report is sound and achievable.

The concerns about control have a knock on effect with the Welsh Government approval of capital schemes; capital resource is granted to the Health Board by Welsh Government on the basis of approved business cases; recent business cases have been rejected on the basis that benefits have not been demonstrated.

Action required.

- An action plan for the implementation of the recommendations contained within the Capita report should be developed by the end of March 2015 and responsibility for its implementation is assigned to a relevant corporate director.
- The action plan should set out clear dates and governance arrangements for ensuring the delivery of specific actions.
- Other Health Boards in Wales should review their arrangements against the Capita recommendations to ensure best practice is implemented throughout Wales.
- Relevant training should be given to those staff charged with the development to ensure that business cases in future meet the requirements of the Welsh Government.
- The capital plan should form an integral part of the service plan – any capital bid should clearly be able to show where and how it fits into the strategic direction for the organisation.

Recommendation.

If assurances can be provided by the organisation that they have a worked up an implementation plan for the Capita recommendations and a competent director has been assigned the responsibility to implement and monitor that plan, then the Welsh Government should allow a further six months review to ensure that the agreed action is being taken before lifting the intervention level on this element.

4. PERFORMANCE AND QUALITY.

Analysis.

The performance of the organisation, excluding financial performance, is measured against the 7 domains of the Welsh national framework. The

quality of the service delivery is overseen by the Quality, Safety and Experience committee and performance is overseen by the newly established Finance and Performance committee. The seven domains are:

Staying healthy

Safe care

Effective care

Dignified care

Individual care

Timely care

Our staff and resources.

The Board is also in the process of developing a suite of local indicators – including measures of Nursing quality, other key performance standards, which include “I want great care”, PMO efficiency, C section rates, staff turnover, cancelled procedures, follow up waiting list, OOH data, appraisals for medical staff, hand hygiene rates, and contract performance activity.

Intervention was required as there had been a continued deterioration of performance against a number of key performance measures and resulting safety concerns arising from the inability of the Health Board to provide consistent timely access to clinical care, including unscheduled care and planned care. (Meeting WG, WAO, HIW 31st October 2014)

A number of reviews have been undertaken in the past 18 months which have indicated a lack of grip and accountability to deliver the required improvements. Over the past 12 months, the new Nurse Director and Medical Director have made significant efforts to improve the quality of the service provided and the accountability of the clinical staff for the care delivered. Considerable progress has been made by the Nurse Director in resolving the long delays and very poor handling of complaints and concerns within the Health Board. It is of concern that this function has been moved to the Corporate Services Director who is not clinically qualified and who might not be able to exercise the same influence with clinical staff and complainants that the Nurse Director has clearly demonstrated.

The Medical Director has undertaken the RAG rating of all clinical services – it is important that the results of this assessment are included in the 3 year plan, in order of priority for action, to further improve clinical and patient safety risks.

In terms of service improvement the new CEO has set personal targets for the new COO for 2014/15 covering key tier 1 targets:

- Delivery of the stroke pathway

- Delivery of the cancer minimum 62 day wait target
- Delivery of ambulance category A response times
- Delivery of 8 week maximum diagnostic waits
- No over 52 week RTT waiting times.

The COO considers that these targets will be achieved by the end of March 2015.

At December 2014 the organisation remained at escalation level 4 on a number of high priority delivery areas and was showing "red" i.e. a continued failure to improve performance or failure to engage with the national process in the following areas:

- Staying healthy – smoking cessation
- Safe Care – pressure sores/ C. Difficile/ MRSA/ Serious incidents
- Dignified care – postponed procedures
- Timely care – Referral to treatment/diagnostic waits/ emergency departments/ ambulance/ cancer/ stoke
- Use of staff and resources – sickness rates/ appraisals/ finance.

Safe Care: Pressure sores – the preliminary outcomes for Nov 14 indicate a significant rise in the number of hospital acquired pressure sores – and action is being taken; the progress to date has not been as positive as desired. The Nurse Director is monitoring the implementation and effectiveness of the action rigorously.

Safe Care: C. Diff and MRSA - this still remains very difficult to control especially on the Glan Clwyd site – again the Nurse Director is putting considerable energy into ensuring the action being taken is effective.

Safe Care: Serious Incidents – there has been a significant rise in the reporting of serious incidents in Nov 14 – however this might be due to the fact that additional investigating staff have commenced in the past 2 months to both investigate trends and to help the clinical teams with quality improvement.

Dignified care: the numbers of postponed procedures has increased, which might be expected during the winter months because of other pressures – but this is being monitored and managed rigorously by the COO and her staff. However the concern must be the impact of the growing burdens on the elective service to deliver during 2015/16 in the light of increasing delays and numbers. A sound capacity:demand model will need to be used for 2015/16 to ensure that there is absolute clarity about the workload to be delivered to avoid breaches.

Timely care: breaches – the situation is deteriorating with both the 52 week and 36 week performance being behind plan. However the Health Board maintains that it remains on profile to deliver its yearend target of no-one waiting over 52 weeks with outsourcing being a key part of year end delivery – but this needs to be monitored with rigour to ensure that this is achievable and affordable.

Timely care: 4 hour A & E target – this is declining – action is being taken to increase the management grip on this service and also to introduce Primary Care “in reach” in all DGHs – but there is no clarity about how much this will cost and what alteration in the pattern of service delivery and volume will result. This is being combined with effecting reduce lengths of stay. 12 hours waits in A & E have been very variable and have increased significantly over the past year.

Timely care: Cancer within 31 days – it is good to see that although performance has fluctuated considerably over the past 18 months, the target for non urgent cancers is being maintained. However the target for urgent cancers slipped back in December having improved greatly in November.

Timely care: Stroke – although this remained red for bundle 2 there have been significant improvements in performance largely due to the staff redesigning the care pathway. This improvement should be maintained.

Resources: Staff sickness – this remains high and no definitive action to manage and reduce these levels has been agreed. A meeting is shortly being held with the staff side to discuss management of sickness but this is very late in the day.

Summary.

It will take a mammoth effort on behalf of the whole of the executive team to enable the organisation to improve this performance, especially as this is a period of the year that always experiences real pressure. Every effort is being made by the teams to meet the priorities identified by the CEO but a concern is that the knock on effects for 2015/16 will be very difficult to manage. Failure to achieve these targets will have a demoralising effect on the new team.

Action required.

- The Board must assure itself that it has the appropriate demand and capacity models to formulate a firm and reliable plan to manage performance in 2015/16 and that it allocates resources effectively to meet the needs and demands of its population.
- The quality of the information reported to the Board has improved but the Board must continue to seek regular progress reports from named officers accountable for the delivery of the priorities of the Health Board.
- The Board and its subcommittees must also be very clear about what is required to deliver safe and effective services to its population for the future and must be very thorough in its monitoring to ensure that the recommendations from officers are delivering the required results and can be maintained. They must be clear about the resources required to deliver and ensure that they are sufficient and yet do not increase the financial burdens within the organisation. Priority setting is of paramount importance for the Board if it is going to succeed in its task.

- It is essential to ensure that for the three year plan period a structured programme is developed and implemented at pace and with grip to deliver cost effective and safe services and to use every opportunity to close the financial and safety gaps that exists at present. This means that the three year plan must be very clear about the future shape of services and how the Board will engage with the wider staff and public to deliver the changes necessary.
- Referrals and waiting lists need to be thoroughly scrutinised to ensure that they are valid and a soundly based demand/capacity model must be implemented. Associated with this, job plans must be revised and scrutinised to ensure that they fit the requirements of the capacity model and as a matter of urgency a practical and evidenced based workforce plan must be agreed. Staff appraisal rates, which are currently poor, must improve to ensure that staff are developed effectively. Every resource within this organisation must be used to effect an improvement in the quality and sustainability of the services provided and the Board must be prepared to make difficult decisions. Very effective and early communication and engagement with the communities and key stakeholders will be needed.
- The Board needs to be mindful of the April/May “dip” that can result following significant effort to reach year end targets and ensure that this does not occur.
- The performance indicators against which the organisation is held to account are basic – not world class; the performance of the organisation should not only be compared with other part of Wales (and there is a tendency displayed to be part of the “pack”) but should seek out the best providers of services and compare their performance with those.

5. Mental Health Services.

Analysis.

A number of reports and incidents within adult and older people’s mental health services have been produced over the past 2 years. These collectively and individually give rise to very considerable concerns about the quality and safety of care provided in the units.

Reports from HIW regarding adult services identified a number of areas for improvement in record keeping, basic quality of care, the environment, training and development for staff, medicines management, the range and mix of patients and the clinical relationships which required concentrated and energetic action to be taken to improve and secure the services. Action has

been taken to close those areas where improvement could not be guaranteed.

The RCP was invited in by the Health Board to review the service – their observations complemented the reports of HIW.

An Interim Director of mental health has been seconded into the Health Board for one year from 1st September 2014 to provide leadership and direction to the service. He has brought focus to the services but it is of concern that the Wrexham adult mental health unit has recently been the subject of concerns relating to its HIW spot check.

There is a great deal of work needed to bring the services up to the standard required. The Interim Director produced a report on the improvements made and needed for the Board in March 2015 but this remains to be quantified in terms of the consequences of the actions necessary. It provides evidence of the changes that have been delivered but it is clear that more time and effort will be required to enable this service to reach its maximum potential and probably a change in the design of the whole service is going to be required.

Of concern is the fact that on the measures of performance used in Wales, these services are “green”. The evaluation of the quality and safety of mental health services will need more thought in order to enable any issues of concern to be highlighted at an early stage to Health Boards.

Action required.

- The Interim Director must continue to provide a full report against action required arising from the critical reports to provide assurance and direction to the Board and confidence to patients and carers that the services are improving. This should be presented to the March Board meeting.
- To provide this service with the focus and leadership required to make long term sustainable improvements in the quality and design of the mental health services, a top quality team of Director, Medical Director and Nurse Director dedicated solely to mental health services, which could include CAMHS, should be appointed with a proven track record in the delivery of high quality services and the management of change to lead and drive improvements in this service over the next 3 years. (It is noted that an interim director for Primary, community and mental health services has recently been appointed to replace the previous Director who has been moved to manage strategic planning.) The new Mental Health director should be held personally to account by the CEO

– this responsibility should not be delegated. In discussion the Health Board directors are unclear in their views about where mental health might sit within their management structure with some believing that its component parts might be split between various service groups. This would be a very insecure move. It has also been envisaged that the COO would assume responsibility for the services – this again would be unwise as it could distract the COO from the not inconsiderable task that she has of turning around the culture and performance of the acute and primary care operational elements of the organisation.

- The Board needs to manage its Board cycle to ensure that the improvement in the quality and sustainability of these services is given top priority.
- Alternative measurements of quality and safety need to be included in the Board papers to allow the Board to obtain more assurance about their mental health services in general. (Copies of suggested measures can be provided if required.)

6. Strategy and the current 3 year plan.

Analysis.

The Health Board failed to produce an acceptable 3 year plan for 2014/15; it has worked hard to produce a sound 3 year plan for 2015/16 – the first draft of which was submitted to the Welsh Government for consideration on 31st January 2015. The Health Board went to some length to ensure that this was a credible plan, employing help from Deloitte. Latterly the Director of Primary care, mental health and community has been moved to take up the post of Director of Strategy to strengthen the planning team.

The plan has not been accepted by the Welsh Government as the Welsh Government considered it to be incomplete with significant work remaining to address current gaps, service, resource and performance challenges. The Government wishes to understand more fully the Health Boards intentions in respect of national and local priorities. The organisation has been asked to prepare a detailed one year operational plan. (Appendix B)

The Board faces a significant handicap in the absence of an agreed service strategy. It formulated a strategy for North Wales back in 2011 but little action was taken to implement this, largely due to a major public outcry about the suggested actions to be taken. Little action has been taken subsequently to review the strategy to take account of increasing clinical risk and safety issues and the difficult financial position.

The three year plan that has been produced does not clearly describe the changes to the services that are required and the timescale or the shape of the future community services. It is broad in its description of the direction of strategic travel and the action proposed under the enablers that it has identified but it is very light on the actual change in service delivery that will be needed – in particular the description of the primary and community service that should be available, costed to include workforce consequences and change and a description of what in the next 3 years will and will not be provided on hospital sites in order to achieve their vision of “cash out and shift left” (an unfortunate slogan.) Much thought and effort has gone into this plan in respect of visions and aspirations for the future; this work should not be lost but now the hard task of describing exactly what has to happen needs to be delivered. They need to test their plans against their described key design principles of reinvigorating primary care and partnerships and of delivery closer to home.

A question must surround the detail of who has been engaged in developing the strategy and how they have influenced the design of solutions suggested in this plan. If key staff and stakeholders – including communities – have not been involved then there will remain a considerable danger of more mistrust developing and an overreaction which has caused inaction in the past.

The financial summary for the 3 year plan also raises significant concerns. Without a clear and definitive way forward being described, the FD has had to use his best endeavours to develop this. There is a statutory requirement to deliver financial balance year on year but this currently cannot be achieved by the plan. The cost pressures summarised at the end of February 2015 for each year were –

- £66.4m 2015/16
- £30.3m 2016/17 – thus creating a cost pressure of £96.7m
- £32.1m 2017/18 – thus creating a total cost pressure over the 3 years of £128.8m

The pressures include pay inflation, pension changes, non pay inflation, demand and service growth, and include the underlying deficit for 2014/15 of £62.5m offset by additional WG funding of £42.5m.

Plans are being debated by the Board which outline ways in which these challenges are to be managed and overcome.

Action required.

- As a matter of urgency the Board needs to decide upon a clear strategy and the real action that needs to take place to change services over the next three years. The Medical Director has RAG rated the services and action needs to be taken on these results. A clear

practical plan for designing and delivering the future primary care services needs to be developed without delay so that in 12 months' time the next three year plan iteration can have concrete plans for service provision that is safe, sustainable, affordable and meets the needs of the population and that have been developed with users and the clinical staff and relevant stakeholders. It has to be capable of being implemented fully. This is a formidable task but is essential. The detailed explanations of vision are in this three year plan but they need translation and action to implement.

- The Board has had considerable difficulty in making difficult decisions relating to clinical services, but these now need to be pursued and implemented without delay.
- The immediate strengthening of the strategic planning experience within the organisation is needed – with very senior and experienced staff employed to work with the key stakeholders – clinicians, partners and users and the executive team – to plan in detail the changes needed and to bring about their implementation.
- The organisation needs to redefine its communications and engagement strategy to avoid some of the problems that can be encountered by public resistance to service change.

7. Leadership and governance.

Analysis.

a) The Board.

The Board currently consists of 11 independent members, including the Chair, following the model determined for Wales and up to 9 executive or other directors, all of whom are entitled to speak. This is a very large Board, the size of which will have a consequences for the ways in which it can operate. The Board is polite and supportive but, because of the history of the organisation, consistently probe the detail of the information provided in order to receive assurance. I would recommend that the IMs continue to press the executive on issues of strategy and delivery. The full range of skills and competencies that might be expected from non executives on health boards is incomplete at present e.g. there is no one with a legal, estates or financial background and no-one that comes from a purely commercial background. However the IMs have a sound range of knowledge and have used their individual skills to undertake their responsibilities. Because of the absence of some specialist skills a suite of Board Advisors has been appointed to strengthen the governance arrangements at subcommittee level – in HR and finance and audit. A number of IMs are coming to the end of their terms of office within the next 3 months.

The Board has previously been described as “adding no value to the organisation” (GGI review April 2014) – this is possibly because they have been seen as being distant from the organisation; their actions have not been communicated well. There is now a far more realistic understanding at Board level of the situation in which the organisation finds itself and the difficult decisions that it will have to make. The Board has not been very successful at making difficult decisions, in part because of a lack of the necessary evidence on which to base a decision. This situation is improving. The Board IMs have taken action in the past to draw attention to the position of the organisation and its services e.g. the Audit chair and the Finance chair “blew the whistle” to HIW and the WAO in September 2012 about the deficiencies they perceived that were not being addressed by the management.

Those IMs whose appointment preceded the joint WAO/HIW reviews of the governance of the organisation have been severely shaken by the concerns uncovered. They remain very frustrated that they have been unable to obtain the assurance they required from the executives about key performance measures in the recent past. They continue to question the detail of the evidence presented in order to restore their confidence that they understand fully the problems presented to them and that effective action is being taken to rectify the situation. The situation is improving with the appointment of the new executives in operational and financial management. Additionally, since their appointment, the new Nurse Director and the new Medical Director have instilled confidence into the IMs about their understanding of quality and safety issues within the organisation and that the necessary action to improve the safety and quality of care action is being taken. However the IMs are very aware that they have no strategy for the future shape of services and that much remains to be achieved in improving the quality of services, in service redesign and in stakeholder management. They are cautious in taking decisions to reform clinical services, having been conditioned by past history and the mistrust expressed by the population and the stakeholders about their previous decisions. The Chair and the new Vice Chair have taken on a role to test the status quo and to challenge the delivery of services.

A governance review was undertaken by GGI in April 2014 at the instigation of the new Chair. The headline findings were as follows:

- There has been a clear lack of strategy and agreed measurable objectives

- The response to reviews has been defensive
- The need to demonstrate reduced risk may have had the damaging effect of preventing certain risk issues from being escalated or discussed at the Board
- There has been considerable work put into the development of the quality improvement plan
- Structural concerns persist around the CPG structure
- There is a need to strengthen the contracting process and its governance
- The nature and scale of support on corporate quality and governance to the front line operations needs to be described and delivered
- Engagement with neighbours, support agencies and WG is critical.

Arising from the lack of a strategic direction and measurable objectives the GGI found that:

- The Board was not seen as adding value to the organisation
- Reports and information to the Board are not prioritised and “work arounds” fill the vacuum e.g. departments setting their own objectives and timescales
- Risk management and governance structures “float” within BCU and are not grounded to achieve common goals
- It is difficult for Board members to be assured on the key priorities in a planned and structured way
- Competing issues cannot be prioritised in respect of their impact on the organisation so Board and Committee papers lack focus and are repeated in a number of places. This leads to lengthy and discursive meetings.
- Without a clear strategy with SMART defined corporate objectives the corporate risk register and the Board assurance framework are unconnected to the corporate strategic view of the organisation, a commitment to delivery and an understanding of risks that could compromise the achievement of objectives.

A number of objectives arose from those observations and the quality of the information to the Board has improved. Steps have also been taken to improve and rationalise the subcommittee structure from a system of committees dealing with:

- Quality and safety
- Audit
- Information governance

- Charitable funds
- Remuneration and terms of service
- Mental health act requirements
- Finance
- Workforce and organisational development

to committees dealing with:

- Integrated governance – with finance and performance, quality safety and patient experience and strategy planning and partnerships reporting to it
- Audit
- Mental health act
- Remuneration and terms of service
- Charitable funds.

This new system came into operation in January; the GGI will return to refresh their previous findings in April 2015 so that progress in improving the governance of the organisation can be tracked.

Summary:IMs

In discussion with the existing IMs it is clear that they all perceive there to be an issue with the business and focus of the Board. The Board is polite and although IMs challenge they do not necessarily receive the assurance that they seek. The Chair is particularly exercised by this feature of executive behaviour and constantly pushes for answers and timescales for action. The IMs have had to push hard for answers in the past and this has meant that they have had little scope to develop their strategy and make decisions about the future shape of services. They appreciate that they do not have a workforce plan which matches the quality requirements of the organisation and are unsighted on the best ways in which to redesign services. They need to press the executives for this information. They believe that past clinical modelling has failed, it being too parochial and they believe that external communication is very poor. They describe the organisation as being “very bad at making things happen” and they believe that the executives are forced into a position of firefighting too often. They are frustrated that little has been actioned from externally commissioned reports and recommendations and that there is a lack of progress and purpose within the organisation. They have been worn down by criticisms.

Their confidence has increased with the appointment of the new MD, ND, COO and FD but they will need to continue to test the information provided to them to ensure that the BAF remains clear and accurate and that the quality of the information continues to improve. They will also have to ensure that the executives deliver on the key priorities for the organisation.

The Board has recently made a decision on a change in the services provided in the light of safety concerns but were very exercised about the ways in which this decision might be made and the consequences. The reaction to the

decision they took – and they individually clearly stated in public their view that change had to occur in the interests of the safety of the patients concerned - was mixed, with some inappropriate behaviour being exhibited by some stakeholders. The Board must change its focus for action to drive forward service change and development and to ensure that they can deliver appropriate high quality and sustainable services for the future. This will require strong leadership with courage and determination, very sound communications, a good early warning system and sound evidence from the executive. They have to start operating as a collective enterprise focussed on change; they need to increase the pace at which decisions about changes in services and the delivery of the future model of care are made and be clear about how implementation has to be handled. They need to engage key stakeholders more effectively.

The Board has undertaken a Board development programme over the past year and has reflected on the position in which it finds itself. The members have agreed a suite of “commitments” as a Board to the population they serve – see appendix 2. The future agenda for Board development should be reviewed to ensure that it reflects the current and strategic challenges facing the Board.

b) Executive management and delivery.

The Executive leadership model and style is in the process of change. The previous Chief Executive exercised control via a system of Clinical Programme Groups with a number of directors taking corporate and service responsibility. This appears to have been flawed in terms of accountability.

This model is being scrapped by the new CEO. He wishes to replace it by a matrix model for operational delivery where “the main axis of accountability for line management, service and budgetary performance will be vertically through area teams and secondary care services with horizontal pan Board responsibilities held by clinical divisions assigned to the various teams for standard setting, quality assurance and ensuring consistency of service.” Such matrix management can be complex to administer and can obscure responsibility. The Board has asked for assurance on the effectiveness of accountability within this structure. The rationale behind the decision to move standard setting etc. for the clinical services away from the direct control of the MD and ND is not fully understood and again the Board has asked for assurance on this element of management and control.

The 3 new area teams are accountable for the operational management and commissioning of all community health services, the effective engagement of primary care practitioners and for commissioning secondary care services. This is the former England PCT model – and the Board will have to monitor whether or not variations in commissioning practice arise, particularly as they affect secondary care services, to ensure that there are quality standards of equal value across all communities. However the power of the area teams to

innovate and drive improvements in primary and relevant secondary care to lead to a reduction in inequalities and an improvement in quality and value for money is to be welcomed.

The operational model has been consulted upon within the organisation and has been approved by the Board – but it appears that no costings were available for its implementation at the time of agreement. In a paper dated January 2015, the FD estimated that the new management structure would cost an additional £2.06m but the 3 year plan indicates that an additional £5m will be required. The wiring diagram and the scheme of delegation are not yet available but the GGI has commenced this work. The responsibilities of the COO – who heads this complex organisation – are considerable and care will have to be taken that she has the support required to manage these complexities.

The Executives have not yet agreed on a scheme to manage mental health services – my advice in section 5 should be considered before a final decision is made. CAMHS should ideally not be split away from mental health services, particularly as there are a number of problems arising with this service throughout the UK.

Currently, there is no agreed future corporate executive management structure although the Board has received an update on the possibilities. Specifically in a paper dated December 2014 a Director of Primary, mental health and community services is included whose functions will include the strategic direction for primary care and community services, partnership development and integration. However a Director of Strategy is also included to be responsible for overall strategic planning and commissioning. A revised corporate executive structure has the potential for improving control within the organisation whilst reducing the current number of executive directors. Some changes have however been made, which might need to be revisited e.g. the new Director of corporate affairs has recently picked up the portfolio of concerns and complaints and PPI from the Director of Nursing. The ND had improved performance considerably from the time of her appointment and had taken personal responsibility for the reputation of the organisation in proactively managing concerns and taking on the communications role in respect of SIs, inquests etc. The decision to move the responsibility from the ND should be fully risk assessed.

The executive team: conclusions.

The COO has been appointed to apply grip to the organisations performance and delivery; however much of her success will depend on the quality and

capability of the candidates appointed for the 4 new roles within secondary care and the area teams. It is to be hoped that those clinical leaders who have helped develop the organisation are not disaffected by a more managerially driven structure and that their expertise and influence are retained.

The MD and ND have shown sound leadership qualities in the face of considerable adversity. They will have only a dotted line responsibility for clinical standards etc. in the new structure – this is possibly too tenuous a link and could well blur accountability. The wiring diagram that is to be produced will be vital in bringing clarity to the situation.

The FD has brought clarity and openness to the reporting of the financial situation and he needs to be able to continue to work in a constructive relationship with his colleague executives to influence the organisation to deliver value for money from its services.

The Director of Primary, community and mental health services has been moved into the post of Strategy director in order to complete the first cut of the 3 year plan and the post of the Corporate director/Board secretary seems to have been split.

The HR and workforce Director needs to refocus his attention to the consequences of the 3 year plan and the work of the area teams to ensure that the plan and subsequent training and development and relevant HR policies are available to ensure staff remain fit for purpose for the future model.

Currently the Executives and Directors meet collectively weekly as the Corporate Directors Group with an informal session weekly to discuss the politics and other all Wales issues that they need to be aware of. The purpose of this group appears confused in terms of whether or not it is a decision making body. This needs clarifying urgently otherwise the confusion will be perpetuated and will militate against corporate responsibility and will undermine the effective governance of the organisation. And if they do not make decisions who does and how do items for decision get channelled to the Board? The executives wish for more responsibility for decision making to be delegated to them by the Board; the Board will need to assure itself that any increased delegation levels are appropriate.

In order to have any chance of succeeding this team needs to be strong, challenging, focussed, contain the right skills to ensure success, be united and well led. It does not yet give the impression that it is a team with some members appearing to opt out of collective responsibility. The executives must at all times be seen to be adding value to the organisation.

Of concern is the fact that the team appears to have resorted over the past year to “buying its way out of trouble” and bringing in consultancies to fill

gaps in the skills set of the team. With a full team in place it should be unnecessary to continue in this way.

The Chair and the CEO.

Chair. The chair has been in post for 16 months. He recognises the very difficult issues that face the Board over the next 2 years. He promoted to the Board development session in January 2015 a very long list of issues that would have to be addressed. See appendix C.

He understands very clearly that the Board needs to demonstrate visible and engaged leadership, to increase the pace of change and set a challenging yet achievable agenda. He recognises that the Board needs to be well led, to be decisive and candid, honest and open, to be cohesive and resilient, to scrutinise and support, to be authoritative and decisive and to enhance the reputation of the organisation and its services. He wants to see very clear and active leadership and for the Board to have a compelling vision for the future of care in North Wales underpinned by a map for achievement and action. He appreciates well that the politics have to be handled and he has spent considerable time in talking to and working with key stakeholders to gain a common understanding of the agenda. He wants grip, pace, visibility, honesty and bravery within the organisation. He is very concerned about the lack of creativity within the organisation and considers that the organisation has a rigid, overly bureaucratic and bullying culture. He appreciates and is frustrated by the fact that the three year plan contains no clear vision for the future and that there is no accompanying OD and workforce plan. He believes that the organisation has not actioned the decisions of the Board adequately enough. He has changed the governance arrangements with the view to ensuring that the subcommittees are able to scrutinise more effectively – and for this they will need good information and evidence. He considers that the executives find him dogged and challenging. Indeed, from observation, he has to play a major role in challenging at the Board meetings rather than being able at all times to steer the Board to oversee the setting of strategy and direction.

CEO: The CEO joined the organisation from Hywel Dda UHB in June 2014. He presented his analysis of the problems within the organisation to the Board in September 2014 – see appendix D. He set about changing the management structure to getting a better grip on delivery. Although the operational structure is not yet complete and needs clarity in relation to delegation and accountability, the operational structure should improve the control within the

services. He now needs to be as clear about the corporate services directorate structure – and he certainly must strengthen strategic planning within the organisation and its associated clinical and workforce planning. Of concern is that an immediate grip was not exercised on the problems within the organisation (and the lack of accountability) which were clear in the reports to the Board and might have militated the position in which the organisation finds itself at year end.

The solution to the improvement in the reputation and clinical service quality and sustainability does not rest solely on the management structure – which is an important enabler – but on changing the culture of the organisation to one of delivery to its population. The CEO and Chair must be constantly available and accountable within the organisation and with stakeholders, enunciating and leading change for the future. This needs a leadership that is visible, resilient and makes it clear to staff and the communities that services have to change, resources have to be managed well, performance has to improve and what will need to be done to achieve this. In terms of visibility within the organisation, (rather than with key stakeholders) the CEO seems to be required to be absent in Cardiff and other places exercising his representational responsibilities on a frequent basis. His visibility within the organisation needs to improve; this has started to happen through “100 top leaders” meetings but needs to increase significantly. It is important that an agreement is reached with the Chair about the priorities that he should pursue to ensure that he is unencumbered and is able to devote all his time and energy to directly delivering results for the organisation.

Action required.

- The GGI review of the governance of the organisation need to be refreshed to ensure that the necessary action has been taken – which should include a reformed BAF and a sound programme of Board business.
- The Board as part of its risk management and assurance processes ensure that it understands explicitly the consequences of inaction/and or delays on its financial, workforce and service quality/service sustainability, its workforce plan and financial plan.
- An opportunity should be taken to refresh the skills of the IMs on the Board at the next round of appointment and a good induction should be available to them to prepare them for their role.

- The corporate management structure for the Board needs to be completed and costed and the wiring diagram be completed so that accountabilities and delegations can be clear. The Board will need to assure itself that it is confident that the management structure can be effective and that accountabilities are clear and that it will start to change the culture and focus of the organisation. The CEO needs to assure the Board that he has prioritised strengthening the capacity and capability of the executive to deliver and to ensure that the Health Board is fit to deliver.
- An executive management team should be established without delay with a clear framework of delegation.
- The Board needs to determine the criteria against which the effectiveness of the new structure will be held to account; it must also assure itself that the cost of the structure represents good value for money.
- The Chair, CEO and Board need to move with pace to ensure that the Board is able to rely on executive assurances and the operation of the control systems; allowing the Board to focus on the identification, management and mitigation of strategic risk.
- Communications within the organisation and with stakeholders must improve; communities must be engaged effectively in the development and delivery of services. The Board needs to evidence clear and well-argued cases for change that enables the essential decisions on change to be made. The communications plan will need to promote a wider understanding of the interconnected drivers of service risk and the reasons for change including, service quality, workforce productivity and retention, financial impacts.
- As a matter of urgency the Board needs to revise and refresh its 3 year plan and develop its strategy for the future against which to measure development within the organisation.

Ann Lloyd CBE

March 2015.

BCUHB – financial background and context. 2014 – 15.

In the absence of an agreed three year strategic plan, the Health Board set an annual financial plan based on incremental budgeting in 2014 – 15.

Key component of this approach were:

- An assessment of activity and demand based on the HB capacity planning tool.
- Clinical programme groups and departments budgets that recognised cost pressures in key areas e.g. safe staffing, but assumed that all additional posts would be recruited to. Premium costs of locums and agency staff were not budgeted for
- a workforce plan that did not alert the HB to intelligence about potential difficulties in recruiting to fragile specialties. The financial trajectory of recruitment challenge was not recognised.
- Cost improvement programmes to be developed and owned by clinical programme groups.

The Board received assurance that the budget was “tough but achievable” subject to underpinning cost improvement assumptions including £33m disinvestment.

In summer it became apparent that the finance, workforce and capacity assumptions that underpinned the 2014 – 15 budget were fundamentally flawed:

1. Inability to recruit and retain staff led to high levels of unbudgeted premium costs being incurred
2. CPGs were unable to meet their cost improvement targets and live within their means
3. The Board did not pursue plans to disinvest.
4. Specialist services activity was above plan, leading to unbudgeted pressures on the HB plan
5. Capacity plans had to be revised upwards to achieve RTT. To support the achievement of tier 1 targets the Board invested additional money in RTT targets and maintained local services, despite their recognised clinical fragility, by extensive utilisation of locum medical staff. This increased
6. The HBs overspend and exposed services to greater clinical risk as well as further prejudicing the achievement of statutory financial duties.

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Dear Trevor

Integrated Medium Term Plan – Feedback Meeting

Thank you to you and your team for meeting with us on 23rd February to discuss some key points arising from our assessment of your draft Integrated Medium Term Plan (IMTP). The purpose of the meeting was to provide constructive feedback on the plan and help you understand what is needed to develop and strengthen it.

This letter is to provide you with a brief outline of our discussion, follow up discussions, and the agreed next steps.

The January submission of your plan was not complete with the key appendices not being submitted. Significant work is required to address the current gaps, service, performance and resources challenges.

Whilst I understand that work is in progress in some areas, our expectation is for you to provide sufficient detail to fully understand what the Health Board intends to do to achieve local and national priorities. This detail allows a comprehensive assessment and the necessary assurances to ensure proposals are deliverable.

It is clear that a number of the proposals contained within your January submission will require engagement and, where appropriate, consultation with your local population before you can set out a three year plan with sufficient detail. This engagement will take longer than the end of March deadline to complete. As has been discussed more recently with you and your team, you will now provide a detailed operational plan for 2015/16, together with

milestones for the work you will advance over the coming months to develop a robust medium term plan. I will want to work closely with you in the development of your plan and this process started with my discussions with a number of your team on 5th March.

Your March submission will need to be rooted in a needs assessment of your resident population. There needs to be a clear association between this analysis and how your primary care clusters, community, mental health, integrated services and hospital services are being planned.

In your plan there is significant analysis of current position and an emerging clarity of strategic direction, however you need to ensure that this will be transferred into practical actions, particularly for 2015/16. Across all elements of the plan, in particular your service change priorities, you need to demonstrate a timeline of actions and/or interventions that will take the organisation from the current state to the future state with an understanding of impact of interventions (in terms of quality improvements, efficiencies, activity shifts, workforce shifts) and the required resources to enact the steps. Your plan will require adequate time to be built in to plan and implement meaningful engagement and consultation.

A pathway based approach to planning should be evident and underpinned by robust demand and capacity modelling. I will expect your March submission to demonstrate clear commitment to the delivery of national priority targets such as smoking cessation, HCAIs, unscheduled care targets and RTT.

In addition, I expect to see plans for LHBs, Trusts and support organisations "talking" to each other with alignment demonstrated for example with the WHSCC and WAST plans. We require your final board approved plan as soon as possible after your March Board meeting but no later than 1 April 2015.

I hope that this accurately captures the key points of our discussion and I am happy to discuss further.

Yours sincerely



Simon Dean

cc.

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In discharging our roles and functions as Board members, we individually and collectively commit to assure ourselves and the population of North Wales that we:-

1. Keep the people of North Wales and their health and wellbeing at the heart of our agenda.
2. Provide a strong vision and clear strategic narrative.
3. Provide and foster a culture of quality improvement and safe, compassionate and confidential person centred care
4. Improve health outcomes, prioritising populations where health is particularly poor.
5. Emphasise the importance of prevention and early intervention in maintaining health, wellbeing and independence.
6. Listen to and learn from the experiences of our patients, their carers and our staff
7. To provide timely access to care throughout the patient journey
8. Act to safeguard the interests, health and wellbeing of the most vulnerable in our society.
9. Use all of our resources effectively to achieve our objectives.
10. Develop our staff to excel by fostering an approach of life-long learning across the Health Board
11. Collaborate and work effectively in partnership with other organisations, individuals and communities
12. Exercise our corporate social responsibilities with due diligence
13. Translate excellence in research and teaching into improvements in population health through innovative and distinctive partnership with academia.
14. Communicate openly and effectively with staff, partner organisations and the public.

List of priorities for BCUHB for 2015/16 devised by the Chair, March 2015

1. Financial management
2. Performance – variability and efficiency
3. Quality, safety and standards
4. 3 year plan – communication plan and briefing – by end of March
To deliver safe sustainable services that are affordable, to balance, to shift the services to primary care and the community, to tackle health inequalities and improve health
5. Better relationships with other NHS providers and find out where the best value might be for new alliances
6. Dealing with the independent sector and chc
7. Commissioning effectively
8. Joint working with local authorities, police fire and rescue
9. Relationships with the 3rd sector – housing – adding complementary value
10. University links to be developed
11. Engaging effectively with the public and patients
12. “I want great care” roll out – patient feedback and the active management of concerns
13. No more endless action plans – but action instead
14. Demonstrate that this is a learning organisation
15. Demand on unscheduled care – links with ooh and wast
16. Overhaul the mental health services – need a psychosocial model
17. Protect the most vulnerable of the patients
18. Workforce issues and better support for staff – manage agency and locums
19. Ensure that concerns can be raised
20. Dealing with the legacy e.g. Tawel Fan
21. Develop the IT capacity
22. Manage the estates issues
23. Challenge the new management and governance systems.

What the Board needs to do is:-

- Demonstrate visible and engaged leadership
- Increase the pace of change – set a challenging agenda
- Be decisive and determined
- Be candid open and honest – and handle the politics
- Be cohesive and resilient
- Scrutinise and support
- Be authoritative and decisive as a message to the staff and public.

The Board must be active in its leadership. It must develop a compelling vision, underpinned by detail and action.

Points for Anne 5 months in!! (from the CEO)

- Change to organisational structure consulted
- Mental health CPG disestablished
- Interim DoMHS appointed
- Board of directors disestablished
- CDG implemented
- New appointments – DOF/COO/DCS/DOS and office manager
- Adverts next week for 3 AD and DOSC
- RDL appointed for team development
- GGI appointed to redesign the wiring diagram of governance and assurance
- Directorate portfolios realigned
- Directors scheme of delegation underway
- New PMO established – weekly performance management meetings with CPGs
- Clarity given on key performance targets
- Clarity on vision and strategy provided
- Deloitte appointed to help the IMTP
- True £ position highlighted to the DG in August 14
- Wider profile with LA/AMs/MPs and staff/partners
- Greater focus on partnership working
- New offices identified for team integration – not a hospital
- 100 feedback given to the Board
- Future hospitals project won
- I want great care rolled out
- Simpler/MBI/ Capita appointed
- Leadership forum established (top 100)

The Past

- No real leadership or clarity in direction
- No vision of how to get there
- Confusion over medical leadership with management
- Competing cultures
- Failed CPG model
- Disempowered executive
- No single medical consultant body for point of contact
- Weak management structure
- Little and variable capacity
- Asset stripped of £6-7m

- No grip
- Confused roles and responsibilities
- Unsupported executive with little power
- Isolationist mentality
- Poor partnership relationships
- Damaged confidence
- Risk averse in taking real issues to decision
- Poor communications and media management

Now

- Can see a step change in Q & S
- Increasing both pace and confidence
- Increasing focus on population growth
- Rolling out locality management with dragonised PBC
- Willing to embrace working differently
- Appetite for change
- Increasingly cohesive board
- In the J curve

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