

Swansea Bay University Health Board

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Swansea Bay University Health Board Wales serving around 383,000 people and employs just under 12,500 people.

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Maternity and Neonatal Services

- The health board reopened the midwife-led birth centre at Neath Port Talbot Hospital on 16 September 2024 and reintroduced their home birth service from 21 October 2024. The health board has invested £750,000 and recruited 35 hospital-based and community staff to support the reopening of both services, offering families a wider choice of how and where to have their babies.
- Swansea is the only health board in Wales to sign up to the Bliss baby charter. It is a practical framework for neonatal units to self-assess the quality of family-centred care they deliver against a set of seven core principles. It enables units to audit their practices and develop meaningful plans to achieve changes that benefit babies and their families.

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