

<p>Health, Social Care and Early Years Group Welsh Government</p> <p>Integrated Quality, Planning and Delivery Meeting minutes 27 September 2024</p> <p>Swansea Bay University Health Board</p>	 <p>Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government</p>
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1. The minutes of the last meeting held on 15 August were agreed.

The health board provided a detailed slide deck prior to the meeting.



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3. Maternity and neonatal

The health board advised the closure rate for the month of August was 67%. Following the senior team appointments the health board was improving the review and closure of incidents in line with the PTR framework.

All incidents are triaged for potential harm and prioritised if rapid review was required. As part of the internal governance and scrutiny process, silver and gold command meetings had been established to address and escalate any concerns raised by patients.

Friends and family feedback through CIVICA had improved in terms of the number of families sharing their experiences. Feedback was also received from social media and face-to-face discussions with families.

The health board will be a pilot site for all Wales core questionnaire and the team were engaging with the health board midwifery team and NHS Executive for the programme to go live.

The health board had secured funding to appoint an experienced midwife to work across perinatal services to design services based on community feedback.

The health board advised they were on track to deliver on the actions following the HIW April 2024 visit by the end of December 2024, with the exception of two actions that were due to complete in 2025.

When IPC compliance audits do not meet the health board and national compliance rates, clinical teams with operational accountability address and escalate the areas of concern.

SSI rates were 15.25% in July. The health board determined this assessment on antibiotic sensitivity. This work is being taken forward by PHW. Work with the laboratory for consistency in reporting would have a positive impact in cases reported. A training package to support midwives obtaining swabs was being created.

In relation to IPC within neonatal services the NNAP report identified Singleton hospital as a negative outlier for late onset sepsis. This was due to an upsurge in Staphylococcus Aureus infection. An RCA for each case was presented to the health board's HCAI and Quality and Safety forums to maximise any learning. As no themes were identified the team has undertaken some focused Qi work which commenced in December 2023.

Welsh Government colleagues highlighted the reduction in the hand hygiene rate and queried if there was an action plan to improve performance and did the Qi work improve the long-term infection rate. The health board had reinforced infection control procedures and recent audits carried out identified hand hygiene rates of 100%. From the quality improvement activity carried out during 2024, there had not been a single staphylococcus sepsis reported to date.

The quality and safety internal audits for obstetrics were monitored through the Q&S group. From 14 October, the health board will be returning to three-weekly scanning in line with gap grow.

The health board confirmed that the Neath Port Talbot freestanding midwifery led unit had reopened on 16 September 2024, with the homebirths service to be reinstated on 21 October 2024.

On staffing, the maternity service had a small level of vacancies among the obstetric team, and a smaller level of vacancies amongst the community posts – recruitment to both teams was ongoing. Training compliance rates during July and August was 97%

Action: The health board to provide an update on neonatal vacancies and the number of streamliners coming into the teams at the next maternity enhanced monitoring meeting.

On the MBRRACE report, all reportable cases received the same level of review to maximise any potential areas of learning. Between January and August 2024, there were 12 perinatal deaths - six still birth and six neonatal death.

Action: The health board agreed to forward the number of grade C and D's PMRT reporting to the Welsh Government.

The health board outlined the local digitalisation transformation projects they were trying to implement within maternity services. The next iteration of the maternity dashboard would include the neonatal data and all the workforce and training data. The health board was committed to the implementation of Digital Maternity Cymru.

In relation to women and babies with protected characteristics, work continued with WPAS to mandate the ethnicity field. During September, teams would have completed the Diverse Cymru Training.

The health board provided an update on the progress of the external review, recognising the challenging timescale to deliver. The Board has oversight and there is good engagement.

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5. Any other business

6. Date of next meeting

14 October 2024

Action log

Action	Responsible	Update
<redacted>	Health board	<Redacted>
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List of attendees and noted apologies

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