



## **CORE BRIEF TO MANAGEMENT GROUP MEMBERS**

### **MEETING HELD ON 27 JUNE 2024**

This briefing sets out the key areas of discussion and decision. It aims to ensure the Management Group (MG) members have a common core brief to disseminate within their organisation.

#### **1. Welcome and Introductions**

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting noting the apologies.

#### **2. Action Log**

Members received an update on progress against the action log and **noted** the updates.

#### **3. Delivery of the Integrated Commissioning Plan 2023-2024**

Members received a report on the implementation of the WHSSC Integrated Commissioning Plan 2023-2024 (ICP) which was developed to respond to the Welsh Government (WG) requirements as set out in the NHS Wales Planning Framework.

Members **noted** the progress on delivery of the Integrated Commissioning Plan (ICP) 2023-2024 at the end of Quarter 4.

#### **4. Specialised Services Integrated Performance Report - April 2024**

Members received a report providing an integrated overview of the performance of specialised services commissioned by the NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee (NWJCC) up to the end of April 2024.

Members **noted** the report.

#### **5. Financial Performance Report Month 2 - 2024-2025**

Members received a report providing narrative to the Month 2 position of NWJCC for the 2024/2025 financial year reported against the 2024/25 baselines following approval of the WHSSC Integrated Commissioning Plan (ICP) and EASC Integrated Medium Term Plan (IMTP) by their respective Joint Committees of the 7 Health Boards in March 2024. Questions had been received in advance from the ABUHB member and they were answered in the context of this report.

Members noted financial position for 2024/25 reported at Month 2 was a £1.6million overspend against the ICP financial plan to date, with a forecast year-end overspend of £655k at this point.

Members **noted** the month end financial position.

## **6. Any Other Business (AOB)**

- **Plastic Surgery South Wales – Revised Ministerial KPIs –**  
Members noted that a report had been shared in advance of the meeting for consideration under AOB concerning the options in relation to the additional funding required by the plastic surgery service at Swansea Bay University Health Board (SBUHB) to achieve the Welsh Government (WG) revised key performance indicators (KPI's) in 2024-2025. Members noted that the WHSSC ICP 2024/2025 did not include allocated funding above the SLA baselines to address long waits in plastics and to achieve the 104 week target. The agreed plan choices were made on the balance of performance and finance in line with the difficult choices facing all Health Boards (HBs). The WHSSC Joint Committee overtly agreed not to accelerate improvement beyond a continued steady improvement towards the targets. However, following approval of the ICP, WG published targets to achieve 104 weeks by March 2025. These were further revised in a letter received from the Deputy General/CEO NHS Wales on 7 May 2024 outlining revised Ministerial targets of no patients waiting over 104 weeks by the end of December 2024. Members discussed the issues and gave helpful advice to inform the discussion with Chief Executives. It was noted that a decision needed to be made by mid July 2024. Members noted that the issues would be discussed with the Chief Executive Management Team (CEMT) on 9 July 2024 and that a report would be presented to the NWJCC on 16 July 2024 for a decision to be made.
- **Specialised Services Commissioning for Women's Health –**  
Members noted that some specialised services commissioned by SpecCom in NHS England (NHSE) for women's health were not commissioned by the JCC in NHS Wales; namely mesh removal and specialised surgery for endometriosis. The Chair asked if members wanted to give consideration as to whether national commissioning was suitable going forward, and to establish if this was a priority area. Members agreed to give the matter further thought and to have a discussion at the July meeting on the potential of including this in the planning process for next year.