



Agenda Item
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Quality Safety and Outcomes Sub-Committee

Policy Group Report

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Acronyms / Glossary of Terms	
NWJCC	NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee

1. SITUATION

This report provides NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee (NWJCC) Quality, Safety and Outcomes Sub-Committee with an update on activity and output from the NWJCC Policy Group during the period 01 April 2025 – 18 September 2025.

2. SPECIFIC MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

2.1 Policy work undertaken this financial year

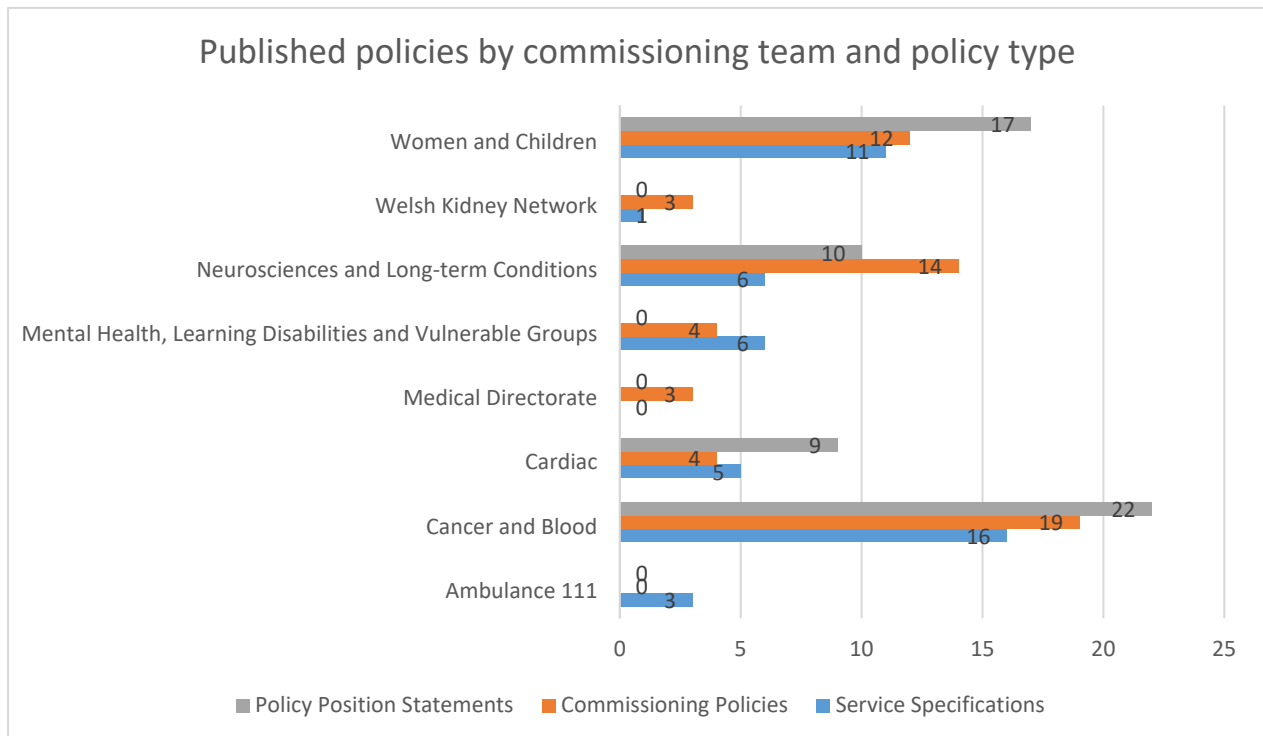
The following data includes information for the current financial year up to and including the 18 September 2025. There are currently 228 policies and service specifications listed on the NWJCC Policy Register. Of these 165 are published, and 63 are in progress, under review or on hold. Policy development and review work for the financial year up until 18 September 2025 is shown in **Figure 1**. The detailed list of all published policies is shown in **Appendix 1**.

Figure 1 - Policy development/review activity for 1 April – 18 September 2025

	April 2025	May 2025	June 2025	July 2025	August 2025	Sept 2025
Policies issued for consultation	3	0	4	6	3	3
Consultations closed	3	2	5	0	5	4
Policies published	3	0	4	0	4	5
New proposals added to the policy register	1	0	6	5	1	1
Policies Stood Down	0	0	0	0	0	0

There are 165 published policies available on the WHSSC website. Data are presented on these policies by commissioning team and type (**Figure 2**).

Figure 2 – Status of all extant published policies (n-165)



Of these 165 published policies, there are:

- 157 published policies within their review date
- 8 published policies outside their review date
 - 4 of which are under review
 - 3 of which are not currently being reviewed
 - 1 of which the review is on hold
- 27 published policies under review (**Appendix 2**)
 - 23 published policies within review date and under review
 - 4 published policies outside review date and under review
- 14 published policies whose review is on hold

2.2 Current position of new policies

There are 62 new policies at various stages of development within the policy process. These are listed in **Appendix 3**. This total includes policies which have been registered with the Policy Team but have yet to enter the scoping phase of development.

- 38 new policies in progress
- 3 new policies at validation
- 3 new policy proposal
- 18 new policies on hold

3. KEY RISKS / MATTERS FOR ESCALATION

3.1 Development of policy pages on the new NWJCC website

All NWJCC policies are currently still published on the legacy Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee website. There is need to undertake a piece of work with the Communications Team to develop and set up the policy pages on the NWJCC to enable policies together with their associated documents to be published on the current NWJCC website and the legacy website to be taken down.

4. ASSESSMENT

Objectives / Strategy	
Dolen i Amcan (au) Strategol CBC / Link to JCC Strategic Objectives(s)	Ensure Quality
	Maximise Value
	Improve Equity and Population Health
Dolen i Ddeddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol – Nodau Llesiant / Link to Wellbeing of Future Generations Act – Wellbeing Goals 150623-guide-to-the-fg-act-en.pdf (futuregenerations.wales)	A Resilient Wales
	If more than one applies please list below: A Healthier Wales A More Equal Wales
Dolen i Hwyluswyr Ansawdd <i>(Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)) /</i> Link to Enablers of Quality (Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales))	Learning, Improvement & Research
	If more than one applies please list below:
Dolen i Feysydd Ansawdd <i>(Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)) /</i> Link to Domains of Quality (Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales))	Effective
	If more than one applies please list below: All Items

Effaith Amgylcheddol/ Cynaliadwyedd (5R) / Environmental /Sustainability Impact (5Rs)	No - Not Applicable
	If more than one applies please list below:

Impact Assessment		
Ansawdd <i>Ydych chi wedi ymgymryd â Sgrinio Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Ansawdd? /</i> Quality <i>Have you undertaken a Quality Impact Assessment Screening?</i>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Outcome:	If no, please include rationale below: Each policy has an EIA
Cydraddoldeb <i>Ydych chi wedi ymgymryd â Sgrinio Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Gydraddoldeb? /</i> Equality <i>Have you undertaken an Equality Impact Assessment Screening?</i>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Outcome:	If no, please include rationale below: Each policy has an EIA
Cyfreithiol / Legal	There are no specific legal implications related to the activity outlined in this report. Legal implications would be linked to specific policies and guidance	
Enw da / Reputational	Yes (Include further detail below) NWJCC policies and service specifications including those published during the current financial year, together with the rationale for their development are publicly available and we have a responsibility to develop and publish high quality, evidence-based documents within a reasonable timeframe.	
Effaith Adnoddau <i>(Pobl /Ariannol) /</i> Resource Impact <i>(People / Financial)</i>	There is no direct impact on resources as a result of the activity outlined in this report. Resource impact would be linked to specific policies and guidance	

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Quality Safety Outcome Sub Committee is asked to:

- **Note** the Policy work and development undertaken during the year to date.