



AGENDA ITEM

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CTM BOARD

HIGHLIGHT REPORT FROM THE HOSTED BODIES AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

DATE OF MEETING

26 May 2022

PUBLIC OR PRIVATE REPORT

Public

IF PRIVATE PLEASE INDICATE REASON

Not Applicable - Public Report

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REPORT PURPOSE

NOTING

ACRONYMS

WHSSC | Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee

IPFR | Individual Patient Funding Requests

EASC | Emergency Ambulance Services Committee

WAST | Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This report had been prepared to provide the Board with details of the key issues considered by the Audit & Risk Committee at its meeting on the 28 April 2022.

1.2 Key highlights from the meeting are reported in section 3.

2. PURPOSE OF THE AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE

2.1 The Committee will function in accordance with the NHS Audit Committee Handbook as appropriate.

The Committee will also consider issues in respect of the roles and responsibilities of Committees hosted by the CTMUHB on behalf of NHS Wales as appropriate. These are the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee and the Emergency Ambulance Services Committee. The meeting will be split into two parts with Cwm Taf Morgannwg CTMUHB business and hosted Committee business discussed and recorded separately.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise and assure the Board on whether effective arrangements are in place – through the design and operation of the Health Board system of risk and assurance – to support it in its decision taking and in discharging the accountabilities for securing the achievement of the Health Board objectives in accordance with the standards of good governance determined for the NHS in Wales.

Where appropriate, the Committee will advise the Board and the Accountable Officer on where, and how, its system of assurance may be strengthened and developed further.

3. HIGHLIGHT REPORT FROM THE LAST COMMITTEE MEETING

ALERT / ESCALATE	
ADVISE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The WHSSC Corporate Risk Assurance Framework and Risk Register was received. A detailed discussion was held in relation to a number of risks with clarity provided to the queries raised by Independent Members. A discussion was held in relation to the issues being experienced regarding quoracy at the IPFR Panel meetings and Members noted that concerns had been shared with Welsh Government in relation to the poor attendance from Health Board staff. The Chair of the Audit & Risk Committee agreed to raise this as an issue at the All Wales Audit Committee Chairs forum; • The WHSSC Audit Recommendations Tracker was received. A discussion was held in relation to the PET Scanner Project and it was requested that a an assurance report was presented to the August meeting highlighting the progress made being; • The EASC Risk Register was received. Members noted that the two main risks related to red calls and amber calls performance and noted that during March 24,500 hours had been lost as a result of ambulance handover delays, which was almost a third of the WAST daily output. Members noted the seriousness of the position and the impact this was having on the quality of care and patient experience;



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Members received a verbal update on the work being undertaken to address Ambulance Handover Delays. Members noted that Health Boards were meeting with WAST on a fortnightly basis and noted that the Minister had written to Health Boards asking them to develop and submit improvement plans to address the position. Members noted that WAST were also developing an improvement plan which was focusing on four key areas.
ASSURE	
INFORM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The WHSSC Audit Enquiries Letter was received and noted;The EASC Audit Recommendations Tracker was received and noted;The Hosted Bodies Assurance Framework was approved.
APPENDICES	Choose an item.

4. RECCOMENDATION

4.1 The Board is requested to **NOTE** the report.