

Concise Minutes – Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Monday, 11 March 2019

Meeting time: 13.19 – 16.24

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Nick Ramsay AM (Chair) Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM Neil Hamilton AM Vikki Howells AM Rhianon Passmore AM Adam Price AM Jenny Rathbone AM
Witnesses:	Len Richards, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board Steve Curry, Cardiff & Vale University Health Board Caroline Bird, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board Judith Paget, Aneurin Bevan Health Board Dr Paul Buss, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board Claire Birchall, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
Wales Audit Office:	Dave Thomas Mike Usher Andrew Doughton



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Committee Staff:	Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk) Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)
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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the Committee.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The paper was noted.

2.1 NHS Wales Informatics Services: Letter from the Welsh Government (20 February 2019)

3 Management of follow up outpatients across Wales: Evidence Session with Cardiff and Vale University Health Board

3.1 Members received evidence from Len Richards, Chief Executive, Steve Curry, Chief Operating Officer, and Caroline Bird, Deputy Chief Operating Officer from Cardiff and Vale University Health Board as part of the inquiry into Management of follow up outpatients across Wales.

3.2 Len Richards agreed to send further information on:

- Send the results of the recent internal/clinical audit work undertaken regarding outpatient follow up appointments;
- Confirmation as to whether all optometrists located in the Cardiff and Vale Health Board area will be able to refer patients for a consultant appointment electronically when the system is rolled out during the first quarter of the 2019–20 financial year;
- The number of out of area patients currently waiting for an outpatient referral together with a breakdown of the service areas.

4 Management of follow up outpatients across Wales: Evidence Session with Aneurin Bevan University Health Board

4.1 Members received evidence from Judith Paget, Chief Executive, Dr Paul Buss, Medical Director, and Claire Birchall, Executive Director of Operations, from Aneurin Bevan University Health Board as part of the inquiry into Management of follow up outpatients across Wales.

4.2 Judith Paget agreed to send further information on the length of time the teledermatological system had been operational.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:

5.1 The motion was agreed.

6 Management of follow up outpatients across Wales: Consideration of evidence received

6.1 Members considered the evidence received.

7 Expenditure on agency staff by NHS Wales: Committee Correspondence

7.1 Members noted the correspondence. It was agreed that the Chair would write to Dr Andrew Goodall, Director General HSS/Chief Executive NHS Wales, seeking his views on the Auditor General's Report together with the expenditure on agency staff reported in the Health Board's Annual Report and Accounts 2018-19 ,and return to the issue in the autumn term.