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Lost Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System

Situation:	Surgical Services require the access to specialist wound drainage devices currently provided by Smith & Nephew 4 pumps have been lost over a 6 month period.
Background:	<p>Smith and Nephew hold the contract for the provision of the VAC equipment to SBHB – Morriston hold a supply of pumps centrally within MDU each area is allocated a pump when required clinically. Following loss of previous pumps 2 staff members have been managing this process with very good assurance and no loss of pumps for 20mths There is good assurance in regards to number of pumps onsite and in the community and where those pumps are located.</p> <p>Risk area is slow return to store from wards & gaps in knowledge with non substantive staff. All wards / departments are required to return the pumps to the central store as soon as no longer required –substantive staff are fully aware of this requirement. There has been high usage of band & Agency staff over the period and ward managers have reported that these staff were under the impression that the pumps were disposable.</p> <p>Losses 4 areas responsible .</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ward T x1 @8,267.78 2. Ward R x1 @8,267.78 3. Ward B x1 @8,267.78 4. Gorseinon x1 @8,267.78 (tagged pump) <p>The service is 4 pumps below required stock levels, replacement costs @ 33,071.12 are considerable – 3 pumps are Morriston DU and 1 is Primary/community</p> <p>The HB is now required to pay Smith and nephew for the lost pumps the company will then provide the HB with 4 new pumps to allow the service to function effectively.</p>

Assessment:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contacted all areas that use this equipment 2. Reviewed all storage areas 3. Contacted Portering for the policy on resolving lost equipment during transfers 4. All pumps to be tagged in future this process had commenced, however of the above only the Gorseinon pumps was tagged.
Recommendation:	<p>Complete the tagging process for the pumps.</p> <p>Educate all staff that this equipment is NOT disposable.</p> <p>Staff responsible for managing the pump stock to inform Matrons as well as ward managers when pumps not in use to ensure rapid return to store.</p>