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Report Title	Update report on actions related to the audit on governance arrangements during covid and the field hospital assurance follow up review			
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Freedom of Information	Open			
Purpose of the Report	This report provides the Audit Committee with an update on the actions completed to meet the findings of the follow up review undertaken by the Welsh Government Integrated Assurance Hub in respect of field hospital development.			
Key Issues	<p>The Audit Committee received the “Governance arrangements during COVID-19 Pandemic – Advisory Review” at its September 2020 meeting and a report of actions against this plan was requested.</p> <p>The Audit Committee received the follow up report arising from this review at its November 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The Health Board’s Field Hospital Establishment Group oversees the action plan arising from the review and this completed action plan has been agreed by the establishment group.</p> <p>This brief report closes the governance loop on the report by providing the audit committee with assurance that the actions set out in the follow up review have been completed.</p> <p>Following Audit Committee agreement, a letter will be prepared for the Director General of NHS Wales to confirm the completion of the actions.</p>			
Specific Action Required (please choose one only)	Information <input type="checkbox"/>	Discussion <input type="checkbox"/>	Assurance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Approval <input type="checkbox"/>
Recommendations	Members are asked to:			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NOTE the completion of the actions set out in the follow up report • AGREE that the completed actions can be communicated to the Director General of NHS Wales.
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UPDATE REPORT ON ACTIONS RELATED TO THE AUDIT ON GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS DURING COVID AND THE FIELD HOSPITAL ASSURANCE FOLLOW UP REVIEW

1. INTRODUCTION

This report provides the Audit Committee with an update on the actions completed to meet the findings of the follow up review undertaken by the Welsh Government Integrated Assurance Hub in respect of field hospital development.

2. BACKGROUND

The Audit Committee received the “Governance arrangements during COVID-19 Pandemic – Advisory Review” at its September 2020 meeting and a report of actions against this plan was requested.

The Audit Committee received the follow up report arising from this review at its November 2020 meeting.

The Health Board’s Field Hospital Establishment Group has been overseeing the completion of the actions set out in the follow up report. The Group has now agreed that all actions have been completed satisfactorily and is updating the Audit Committee on progress against these actions.

A copy of the completed action plan is set out **Appendix 1** to this report.

Following Audit Committee agreement, a letter will be prepared for the Director General of NHS Wales to confirm the completion of the actions.

3. GOVERNANCE AND RISK ISSUES

The Health Board recognises and accepts the findings both reports and has arrangements in place to address the findings of each through detailed action plans.

Further updates on progress with the delivery of the action plans will be brought to future Audit Committees for assurance.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications of this two updates provided in this report.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are asked to:

- **NOTE** the completion of the actions set out in the follow up report
- **AGREE** that the completed actions can be communicated to the Director General of NHS Wales.

Governance and Assurance		
Link to Enabling Objectives (please choose)	Supporting better health and wellbeing by actively promoting and empowering people to live well in resilient communities	
	Partnerships for Improving Health and Wellbeing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Co-Production and Health Literacy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Digitally Enabled Health and Wellbeing	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Deliver better care through excellent health and care services achieving the outcomes that matter most to people	
	Best Value Outcomes and High Quality Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Partnerships for Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Excellent Staff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Digitally Enabled Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Outstanding Research, Innovation, Education and Learning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Health and Care Standards		
(please choose)	Staying Healthy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Safe Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Effective Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Dignified Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Timely Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Individual Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Staff and Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Quality, Safety and Patient Experience		
<p>Ensuring strong governance arrangements for the Health Board's response to the COVID-19 pandemic will support the delivery of patient safety at a challenging time for service delivery.</p> <p>Ensuring increased delivery confidence of our field hospital capability as the super surge component of the Health Board's COVID-19 response will ensure that sufficient capacity exists to treat patients in a planned way, in the most appropriate care setting.</p>		
Financial Implications		
There are no direct financial implications of the content of this report.		
Legal Implications (including equality and diversity assessment)		
There are no direct legal implications arising from the content of this report.		
Staffing Implications		
There are no direct staffing implications as a result of this report but there are clear workforce components of the Health Board's COVID-19 response plan should demand be such that both surge and super surge capacity be required.		
Long Term Implications (including the impact of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015)		
Ensuring that the Health Board has a resilient plan for delivering sufficient capacity to meet any COVID-19 future waves will ensure timely access to care and reduced risk of any preventable long term harm to patients who otherwise may have been unable to access care.		

Report History	<p>This governance arrangement advisory review element of this report is the second report to Audit Committee following formal receipt of the report at its September 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The Audit Committee received a further update on the follow up report findings at its November 2020 meeting.</p>
Appendices	Appendix 1 – Copy of completed action plan document