





# Morriston Highlight Report for Quality and Safety Committee

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Summary of Quality and Safety issues since last report to the Committee (Reporting period: 01/05/2022 to 31/08/2022)

- The consistent delivery of Tier 1 targets for IP&C remains a challenge for the Morriston service group particularly in relation to Staph Aureus Bacteraemia. A rapid improvement programme is in place led by the Interim Director of Nursing and Associate Medical Director to sustainably improve this position.
- The impact from the significant challenges in patient flow experienced at Morriston and across the Health Board associated with admission profiles and extended lengths of stay (in particular for those patients whose pathways are delayed from Morriston), continue to impact negatively on the ability to meet time sensitive interventions within a number of key areas at Morriston including: Emergency Department; Trauma and Orthopaedics; Cardiac pathways; Stroke pathways and discharges from ITU.
- Whilst ambitious recovery plans have been submitted with regards to planned care and cancer services, work continues with the theatres teams and diagnostics to improve access to these services and also with regards to patient flow initiatives to increase 'green' capacity associated with COVID-19 challenges during these periods and increase in emergency demand.
- An increase in investigations by the Public Service Ombudsman for Wales has been noted during August and September 2022, related to access times experienced by patients waiting for planned orthopaedic surgery.
- Whilst our patient experience feedback is telling that 84% (August 2022) of our patients surveyed (1,629) rate our services as good or very good; with positive feedback in relation to the professionalism and competency of our staff, a key concern remains in relation to access waiting times for both unscheduled and planned care; this is reflected in the increasing volume and acuity of formal complaints that are being received.
- Delayed transfer for Clinically Optimised Patients who no longer requirement clinical services at Morriston Hospital. This impacts not only on patient flow and use of resource (as described above) but also compromises patient safety; clinical decompensation, nosocomial infection, inpatient falls,

- pressure damage. The association of this group of patients to key safety indicators is currently under review.
- In line with the national implementation of an NHS Wales Medical Examiner Service, all deaths
  within ward based services, at Morriston Hospital are now being submitted for assurance by the
  regional Medical Examiner office for South-West Wales; the exception being ITU deaths and
  deaths within the Emergency Department, which will be phased in over Qtr3/Qtr4 of 2022/23. (This
  process will fully replace the local staged mortality reviews when the requirement becomes
  statutory in April 2023)

Review of inappropriate DNACPR is now being actioned via this assurance mechanism.

- Morriston has reported two Never Events, since previously reporting to Committee. In both instances
  harm to the patient involved was minimal and remedial treatment and care has been provided, with
  the anticipation of no long term impact on the patients' health.
  - Incident 1: Intra-operative retained gauze
  - Incident 2: Incorrect administration route for medication

Independent Patient Safety Investigations have been commissioned with immediate learning actions taken – full actions are being developed in line with final investigation findings/recommendations and will shared within the Health Board and nationally.

The closure of the legacy Datix system (DatixWeb) by 31/08/2022, was achieved, with all outstanding
cases transferred to the new national Datix system (DatixCymru). Early review of outcomes
(particularly in relation to the incident module) have highlighted some gaps in reporting consistency
which is impacting on key performance reporting – these are being escalated via the national
workstreams.

Challenges, Risks, Mitigation and Action being taken relating to Quality and Safety issues noted above (what, by when, by who and expected impact)

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Challenge	Risks	Action/Mitigation	Status
Tier1 Infection	Avoidable patient	<ul> <li>Dedicated Snr IPC</li> </ul>	Number of C.difficile cases (Monthly)
Prevention &	harm as a result of	Improvement Lead –	10 8
Control	healthcare acquired	appointed	:   1,     1
(Risk Score 20)	infection	<ul> <li>Twice weekly IPC Safety</li> </ul>	
		huddles in place	Number of C.difficite cases
On-going	Failure to achieve	<ul> <li>8week Tier1 IPC Improvement</li> </ul>	Number of Staph. aureus bacteraemia
Response to	infection control	Plan – <i>commenced</i>	cases (MRSA & MSSA combined) (Monthly)
COVID-19	targets set by Welsh	01/08/2022	5
(Risk Score 12)	Government could	<ul> <li>SOP for Rapid IPC Case</li> </ul>	。 Lall H. Lall & H.
	impact on patient and	Review refreshed –	Apr. 21 May. 22 May. 22 May. 23 May. 24 May. 2
	family experience of	relaunched September 2022	
	care.	<ul> <li>Joint Nursing/Medical Lead</li> </ul>	Number of E.coli bacteraemia cases (Monthly)
		Case Review Scrutiny Panel	_ 6 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4
	Nosocomial	commenced September	; HallHallyHall
	transmission in	2022	Apr. 23  Jun 23  Jun 24  Jun 25  Jun 2
	hospitals could cause	<ul> <li>Opportunities for patient co-</li> </ul>	Number of Klebsiella spp. bacteraemia
	patient harm and	production to support infectio	n cases (Monthly)
	create wider system	prevention – <b>Qtr3 Project</b>	
	pressures	<ul> <li>Nurse Director/IPC Walk</li> </ul>	Apr.21 Jun.21 Jun.21 Jul.21 Jul.22 Sep.21 Obc.21 Jun.22 Ju
		About – ward based review	Number of Rébaiella spp. bacteraemia cases
		work commenced Sept 202	bacteraemia cases- nospital acquired
		<ul> <li>Joint with Swansea University</li> </ul>	(Monthly)
		to determine the feasibility of	Le Malatri
		using the Vitec Microgenix	April 19 Apr
		products – Ward A&B –	war reduction profile - incidence per 1000 admissions
		commenced outcomes	
		Qtr3/Qtr4	

Excess demand Access to Health Board Emergency Care Performance as at **Unscheduled Care** Assurance Audit 23rd & 24th 31/08/2022. across unscheduled Services August 2022 If we fail to provide (in response to sharing of Ambulance Handover care pathways feedback from HIW work carried timely access to >1hr = 681(Risk Score 25) Unscheduled Care. out in North Wales) then this will have an 95% within 4hrs = Risk score in Immediate Action Plan -51.4% line with impact on quality & confirmed HB safety of patient care feedback to Executive Nurse Number of patients as well as patient and Director - 30/08/2022 (full risk score waiting >12hrs = 1472family experience and Feedback Report pending) achievement of targets. HIW recently undertook an Data Source: Weekly unannounced assurance visit to Performance Data Linked to Patient the Morriston Emergency 15/09/2022 Experience Department (5th to 7th Sept 2022) Feedback and Access to Services An immediate assurance improvement plan has been received (9th Sept 2022) response submitted to HIW 16/09/2022 **Full Feedback Report Pending** Admission avoidance and length of stay reduction plans under further development across the Health Board within the UEC programme Planned Care Access to Planned Linked to Over-Arching Service Health Board 3yr Care Re-design: Recovery and Recovery There is a risk of harm Max. elective colorectal Sustainability Plan in to patients if we fail to place surgery in Singleton to (Risk Score 20) diagnose and treat increase the centralisation of Risk score in them in a timely way. Performance as at elective services. line with 31/08/2022. Transfer of elective surgery confirmed HB Access to Theatre from Morriston to Singleton to risk score Patient waiting > 26wks Capacity increase the centralisation of for first OP = 19,607elective service (ENT, Upper Competing Priorities (stable) GΙ Development of post Delivery of Stage1 Patient waiting >36wks anaesthetic care unit in (outpatient) 52wk for treatment = 26,710Singleton Hospital to support target (stable) service transfer Delivery off All Stage Patients waiting >52wks for treatment 104wk target =20,300 Linked to Patient (stable) Experience Feedback and Patient waiting Access to Services >104wks (all stages) =

8,846 (reducing)

Data Source: Weekly Performance Data 15/09/2022

Access to Cancer Services (Risk Score 25) Risk score in line with confirmed HB risk score	There is a risk of delay in diagnosing patients with cancer, and consequent delay in treatment, which could lead to poor patient outcomes and failure to achieve targets.  Insufficient "green" bed capacity at Morriston Hospital  Consideration of post COVID-19 Response pathways and bed allocations  Insufficient Morriston Theatre capacity for complex Morriston only patients  Workforce risks in Radiology and Endoscopy  Linked to Patient Experience Feedback and Access to Services	<ul> <li>Tumour Site Improvement Groups feeding into Cancer Board established;</li> <li>Targeted focus on long waiting patients with trajectories in place to eradicate waits &gt;100 days in particular.</li> <li>Recovery plans have been submitted.</li> <li>Cancer pathway reviews for &gt;145 days</li> <li>Theatre capacity requirements for 22/23 submitted.</li> <li>Maximising use of funded Endoscopy sessions across all Units as well as utilising 40 Insourced Endoscopy sessions per month within NPTH.</li> <li>Continue ongoing improvement in CT USC 7day performance (40% increase in compliance between January and March)</li> <li>Implementation of pathway specific Rapid Diagnostic Clinics</li> </ul>	The delivery against the cancer standards remains a significant challenge across all specialties and is driven by:  • Backlog of patients waiting to access services;  • Lack of capacity to meet the demand at a sustainable level  • The long-term impact of Covid which has resulted in significant backlog across all elements of the pathway  56% compliance against the Single Cancer Pathway (target 75%)
Access to Planned Orthopaedic Services at Morriston Hospital (Risk Score 25)	Patients requiring planned orthopaedic surgery at Morriston Hospital only (due to underlying comorbidities) currently do not have access to surgery as there is no planned orthopaedic theatre capacity at Morriston Hospital  There are approximately 6400 patients waiting >52wks for elective Orthopaedic Surgery  Linked to Patient Experience Feedback and Access to Services and	Linked to Planned Care programme of work  Escalated to Health Board Risk Register via Risk Escalation Process – Accept August 2022  Explore further opportunity for commissioning of external capacity able to support complex post-operative patients – linked to Planned Care Recovery Board  Explore opportunities of extending post-operative support facilities outside of Morriston – linked to Planned Care Recovery Board  Exploration of additional space on Morriston site to provide ring fenced beds for orthopaedic activity  Development of Orthopaedic centre of excellence at NPT with additional theatre capacity – on track	This risk has previously been included within an over-arching risk in relation to planned care (routine, urgent, USS) It was identified at the Morriston QS&PE (15/06/2022) that there was no explicit risk in relation to access to orthopaedic planned care at Morriston Hospital.

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	Increase in Public		
	Service Ombudsman		
	for Wales enquires		
Competing	Inability to provide	Directly Linked to work	Fractured Neck of
Demands for	treatment and care	programme and actions for:	Femur currently outside
Key Resources	within national	Access for Unscheduled Care	of 36hr to surgery
	standards and	Planned Care Recovery	national standard
	timeframes	Transfer of Clinically	(risk score 25)
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	(links to risk of	Optimised patients	Stroke pathway
	increased Mortality	Tamata	currently outside of 4hr
		To note:	admission to Stroke
	and poor clinical	COVID-19 has continued to have	
	outcomes)	an impact on service delivery –	Unit
		particularly where ward closures	(risk score 20)
	Impacting on and	mean that patients are placed	
	creating delays in	outside of specialty/service ward	Acute Cardiology
	pathways such as:	areas	pathway currently
	<ul> <li>Fracture Neck of</li> </ul>		outside of 48hrs for
	Femur Pathway		inpatient transfer to
	<ul> <li>Stroke Pathway</li> </ul>		Specialist Unit
	Cardiology/Cardiac		(risk score 20)
	Pathways		,
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	Linked to Patient		
	Experience		
	Feedback and		
	Access to Services		
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Delayed transfer	Inability to Transfer	Weekly multi-disciplinary	Appointment of
in Clinically	Patients	clinically optimised review –	resource to support
Optimised	Avoidable harm as a	led by Deputy Head of	nurse liaison and
Patients	result of patient	Nursing Emergency Care &	patient co-ordination –
(Risk Score 20)	placement within an	Hospital Operations	Completed
	inappropriate	<ul> <li>Development of an integrated</li> </ul>	
	healthcare setting.	discharge team on site to	120 COP patients at
		support complexity and the	Morriston Hospital –
	Compromised patient	flow demands associated with	09/09/2022
	safety including	the clinically optimised patient	
	clinical	cohort – <i>in place</i>	
	decompensation,	<ul> <li>Daily/Weekly escalation of</li> </ul>	
	nosocomial infection,		
	inpatient falls,	complex cases to relevant	
	pressure damage	partners/agencies –	
	pressure damage	identification of 3 "red"	
		patients weekly	
		ty and Safety Priorities 2022/23	

Progress Against Annual Plan Quality and Safety Priorities 2022/23 (as applicable) Quality Priorities: reduction in healthcare acquired infections; improving end-of-life care; sepsis; suicide prevention; and reducing injurious falls.

	Current Status
8 week IPC Rapid Improvement Plan: focused on embedding	See Update Above
Implementation of National Framework for the Bereaved – linked to EOLC/NACEL	Phase 1 Completed Phase 2 on Target Presence on National Steering Group

Implementation of the National Medical Examiner Service	On track within national statutory implementation (01/04/2023)
HB-wide Recognition of Acute Deterioration and Resuscitation (RADAR) Group - established	Health Board Clinical Leadership in place Development of KPI framework in progress
Suicide awareness training with links into Care after Death/Bereavement Support	Nominated attendance at Health Board Steering Group Roll-out in Progress Support offered to all families bereaved by suicide (in line with National Framework)
Morriston-wide ligature assessment including remedial works in process – in line with HB Policy	Environmental Annual Review to be Progressed
Morriston In-patient Falls Prevention Group – established with monthly monitoring against RCP national standards by ward/ dept.	Monthly Falls Improvement Group in place Annual Inpatient Falls Review 21/22 completed "Bay Watch" Falls Prevention Programme progressing to pilot phase

To Note: Project work underway to review existing quality & safety key performance indicators and the development of a SBUHB Quality & Safety Performance Dashboard, in line with Health Board Quality & Safety Strategy; it is anticipated that this will enable additional reporting capabilities in the future.

## **Progress Against Health and Care Standards 2022/23**

Fnd (	of Year	Position:	2021/2022	
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Pending formal confirmation of the process for 2022/2023, the following actions are being taken forward to support improving all areas with the aim to ensure that we can demonstrate progress on key areas of improvement work:

- Clearly documented governance frameworks and information flows to support revised Health Board Quality & Safety structures – completed revised Quality, Safety & Patient Experience Group ToR in place from September 2022 with reference to developing Quality & Safety Strategy (which is currently at Staff Engagement)
- Staying Healthy improvement work linked to exploring all opportunities to develop coproduction with patient – **developing clear milestones**
- Safe Care improvement linked to HB & local quality improvement work as above
- Introduction of Director led "15 Step" Challenge Reviews from September 2022
- Extended use of technology and digital solutions to facilitate patient experience and wellbeing support – for example SMS Patient Feedback – progress on track
- Focused work on additional Service Group Quality Priorities Medicine Management,
   Pressure Damage Prevention progress on track

## **Patient Experience Update**

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"time wasters"

"time wasters" "time wasting"
"Seen very quickly"
"for 2 hours" "didnt have to wait"

"for 3 hours" cancelled chase
"for 3 hours" queue on time "for 8 hours"
"hour later" prompt Walt delay hours later"
"addnt wait" delays waiting finally wasn't seen "seen quickly" waited "the speed"
"after 5 hours" eventually punctual
"short time" promptly rfor 12 hours"
"wasted my time"
"did not have to wait"
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In August 2022, **84%** of patients, friends and family surveyed rated the services they received at Morriston as good or very good. (**1,629 responses**)

Source: Civica Aug2022)

Positive patient experience feedback centres on the quality of clinical services and staff attitude/capability, however there are clearly two key issues generating negative feedback:

- Access Times primarily focused in the Emergency Department
- Lack of communication between families and clinical team increased due to lack of visiting and opportunity for face-to-face contact\*

**Formal Complaint Performance** 

	01/05/2022 to 31/08/2022
Number of formal complaints	265
% of responses sent within 30 working days* (75% National Target)	73%
Number of Trusted to Care complaints	NIL

As with survey based patient experience feedback, the primary themes within formal complaints focus on access times, to both planned and emergency care and outcomes associated to delays in access.

There has been an increase in the number of formal complaints received during 2022 (Apr-Jul) compared to the same period in 2021, of just under 40%. In addition, the acuity of the complaint has increased, with patients reporting more significant health outcomes as a result of service failures.

A 12month secondment post for a Q&S Matron has been embedded in the team in order to support, immediate patient safety concerns and in order to implement "nipping in the bud" principles.

#### **Quality & Safety Operational Work Programme:**

- Operational review of caseload, across all Q&S workstreams including serious incidents, high risk patients, Ombudsman cases and Inquests to maximise outputs from existing resource and balance workload – Established and in place weekly
- Never Event, Serious Incident and Mortality Shared Learning work progressing at a national workstream level linked to outcomes from the introduction of DatixCymru
- Introduction of rolling programme of Director led "15 Step Challenge" across all inpatient and outpatient location at Morriston Hospital *from September 2022*
- 6month revisit of Controlled Drug Incident Improvement Project in conjunction with Internal Audit Services and Medicines Management Board - initial meeting 23/09/2022
- Development of In-Hospital survey to support Patient Communication Project in conjunction with corporate Patient Experience Team and Volunteer Services, designed to collect "real-time" inhospital patient feedback – pilot completed on Ward J, roll-out programme October 2022
- Re-commissioning of RITA Service to support in-hospital boredom and isolation (in support
  of the Older Person and Dementia Patients) focus on Ward G (Acute Elderly Care) in
  conjunction with corporate colleagues in Arts Therapies launch October 2022

<sup>\*</sup>rolling performance

- Multi-disciplinary virtual communication hub involving PALS, Care after Death and Chaplaincy services to support family communications – *Established, assessing* outcomes to be shared October 2022
  - \*It is anticipated that the reinstatement of hospital visiting from 06/07/2022 will resolve a significant proportion of current communication issues. This will be closely monitored over the coming 3mths
- Direct Patient Experience Support within the Emergency Department Waiting Area: PALS
   Team visiting 3 times daily, ED staff based in waiting area

## Any Other Issues to Bring to the Attention of the Committee

## **Quality Improvement Schemes -**

- Joint working with Swansea University on the feasibility of using Vitec Microgenix which are technologies to support viral, bacterial and fungal control, within Ward A&B – work commenced
- Transfer of Morriston Clinical Audit Plan 2022/23 onto AMaT to support the monitoring of National, Health Board and Local quality improvement workstreams – to be completed by 30/11/2022
- Acute Medical Service Redesign (AMSR) phase1 of the organisational change process has concluded with the final plan issued 08/09/2022. Phase2 (staff preferences) commenced 14/09/2022. It is anticipated that the new facility in Morriston will open in Qtr3 of 2022/23.
- Hospital e-Prescribing and Medicines Administration (HEPMA) implementation is being rolled out across Morriston monitored via fortnightly operational group.
- Critical Care Expansion and co-location of burns services a phased capital development scheme has been submitted to Welsh Government
- Post-Anaesthetic Care Unit facilities arrangements for the provision of post-operative support to underpin the expansion of elective theatre capacity across the Health Board will be finalised by the end of Qtr2.
- Implementation of the NHS Wales Medical Examiner Service (MES) Morriston taking a
  Health Board lead in the adoption of independent mortality assurance process. The
  implementation is on track to comply for 01/04/2023, when the process becomes a legal
  requirement.
- SIGNALv3 launch date in Autumn 2022
- Launch of Morriston Staff Well-Being Pilot for wider discussions on staff well-being including the promotion of the wellbeing checklist, staff wellbeing events, and Morriston H&W newsletter.

### **External Reports**

The following external reviews have been undertaken at Morriston Service Group:

- HIW Unannounced Visit: Dan Danino Ward (Cardiac Services) Final Report published 02/09/2022: Improvement plan fully completed
- Royal College of Surgeons review of Cardiac Surgery report received, improvement plan in progress

### **Pending Reports**

- HIW Unannounced Visit: Morriston Emergency Department (05/09/2022 to 07/09/2022)
- HIW National Patient Flow Review Stroke HB evidence submission provided January 2022 and onsite visit made in May 2022 – National Report due December 2022

### Recommendations

Members are asked to note progress taken to address quality & safety issues, challenges and risk facing Morriston Service Group and acknowledge ongoing work to ensure dignified, individualised care to patients whilst in the care of Morriston Service Group.