





Meeting Date	18 April 2019		Agenda Item	4.2	
Report Title	Health and Care Standards				
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	Experience				
Freedom of	Open				
Information					
Purpose of the	This paper aims to outline the Health Board approach to				
Report	undertaking its annual assessment of the annual health				
	and care standards. The paper also aims to outline the				
	mechanism of developing this year's annual quality				
	assessment, progress to date and next stages.				
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Key Issues	This is key to the Health Board aim of improving the				
	quality and safety of the care we provide.				
Specific Action	Information	Discussion	Assurance	Approval	
Required					
(please choose one	_	_	_	_	
only)					
Recommendations	Members are asked to:				
	Note the progress and plan for completion of the annual				
	quality statement and self assessment against the health				
	and care standards and Annual Quality Statement.				

HEALTH & CARE STANDARDS AND ANNUAL QUALITY STATEMENT

SITUATION

This report provides the quality and safety committee with an update of the health board's approach to self - assessment of compliance against the Health and Care Standards. The report also outlines progress against the completion of the annual quality statement.

BACKGROUND

The Health and Care Standards set out the Welsh Government's framework of standards to support NHS organisations in providing effective, timely and quality services across all healthcare settings. The current set of Health and Care Standards came into force on 1 April 2015 and incorporate a revision of the "Doing Well, Doing Better" Standards for Health Services in Wales (2010)

Following completion of last year's annual self-assessment an agreement was made that the previous quarterly scrutiny panels would be stood down. This was on the basis that performance reviews with service delivery units would feature progress against the standards. Also it was agreed that to further support embedding of the standards within the health board key committees would be delegated responsibility for improving and monitoring the relevant standards.

ASSESSMENT

It was proposed that existing committees or groups within the health board would be aligned to individual standards to provide year round support and strategic direction.

In 2016/17 this approach was taken with the following standards:

- 2.3 Falls Prevention
- 2.4 Infection Prevention and Control and Decontamination
- 2.5 Nutrition and Hydration
- 2.6 Medicines Management
- 2.7 Safeguarding

In addition the quarterly service delivery unit performance reviews and integrated performance reports are structure around each of the health and care standards domains. This has enabled each executive lead to monitor, identify and share good practice and provide proactive support throughout the year to the service delivery unit teams for each of their health and care standard areas of lead responsibility.

The board risk management framework has also been reviewed and all corporate, executive and service delivery units risk registers are aligned with the health and care standards.

The health board has also undertaken its annual audit against the health and care standards formerly fundamentals of care. These will give further evidence of progress and further areas for improvement. (Appendix 2)

Annual Quality Statement (AQS)

In line with last year's internal audit findings, the annual quality statement stakeholder group was established to progress development of the AQS.

Key patient focused groups have been involved and their suggestions and questions included within the AQS.

The health board has developed its annual quality statement aligned to the health and care standard domains.

The feedback received from today's quality and safety meeting will be shared with the annual quality statement development group, stake holder reference group, the accessibility reference group and the quality and safety forum. The final version will be translated into a simple English format and a digital story.

These will be presented at the board open public annual general meeting in line with welsh government requirements. ..

ASSESSMENT

Progression of 2017/18 health and care standards self-assessment is underway, to identify all the formal groups reporting to quality and safety forum. Further work is required during 2019/20 to further embed the health and care standards within these groups.

The overall approach and timescales for 2017/18 assessment will be:

Timescale		Activity	Lead
Start	End		
February 2019	End April 2019	Self- Assessment of all standards completed by service delivery units.	Directors of Nursing in service delivery units
April 2019	May 2019	Internal Audit Assessment with limited scope due to timescales.	Head of Internal Audit
Mid April 2019	End April 2019	Corporate Validation of self - assessments and completion of SBARs	Corporate Leads
	End of April 2019	Executive sign off	Executive Leads and Independent leads
04.06.18	June 2019	Paper to QSE	Director of Nursing

The Health and Care Standards self- assessment results and executive lead validated position will be presented at the board development day on 25th April 2019 for discussion and inclusion in the board governance self- assessment process.

The list of Executive Leads is attached in Appendix 2 and will need further review given the changes in Executive Portfolios.

Appendix 1

HEALTH AND CARE STANDARDS STANDARD LEADS

STANDARD	EXECUTIVE LEAD	
Governance, Leadership and	Board Secretary	
Accountability Standard		
Standard 1.1 Health Promotion,	Executive Director of Public Health	
Protection and Improvement		
Standard 2.1 Managing Risk and	Director of Nursing and Board	
Promoting Health and Safety	Secretary	
Standard 2.2 Preventing	Executive Director of Nursing	
Pressure and Tissue Damage		
Standard 2.3 Falls Prevention	Executive Director of Nursing	
Standard 2.4 Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) and	Executive Director of Nursing	
Decontamination		
Standard 2.5 Nutrition and Hydration	Executive Director of Nursing	
Standard 2.6 Medicines	Medical Director	
Management		
	Executive Director of Nursing	
Standard 2.7 Safeguarding	Exceditive Director of Narsing	
Children and Safeguarding Adults		
at Risk		
Standard 2.8 Blood Management	Executive Director of Therapies and	
-	Health Sciences	
Standard 2.9 Medical Devices,	Executive Director of Therapies and	
Equipment and Diagnostic	Health Sciences	
Systems		
Standard 3.1 Safe and Clinically	Executive Director of Nursing	
Effective Care	Exceditive Director of Nursing	

Standard 3.2 Communicating Effectively	Director of Planning
Standard 3.3 Quality Improvement, Research and Innovation	Medical Director
Standard 3.4 Information Governance and Communications Technology	Medical Director
Standard 3.5 Record Keeping	Director of Nursing
Standard 4.1 Dignified Care	Director of Nursing
Standard 4.2 Patient Information	Director of Nursing Director of Strategic planning
Standard 5.1 Timely Access	Chief Operating Officer
Standard 6.1 Planning Care to Promote Independence	Director of Therapies and Health Sciences
Standard 6.2 Peoples Rights	Director of workforce
Standard 6.3 Listening and Learning from Feedback	Director of Nursing
Standard 7.1 Workforce	Director of Workforce and OD

Governance and Assurance					
Link to	Supporting better health and wellbeing by actively promoting and				
Enabling	empoweri	ng people to live well in resilient commu	nities		
Objectives		os for Improving Health and Wellbeing			
(please choose)		tion and Health Literacy			
		nabled Health and Wellbeing			
	Deliver better care through excellent health and care services achieving the outcomes that matter most to people				
		Outcomes and High Quality Care			
	Partnership	os for Care			
	Excellent S	Staff			
	Digitally Er	nabled Care			
		g Research, Innovation, Education and	П		
	Learning	3			
Health and Ca		rds			
(please choose)	Staying He	althy			
	Safe Care				
	Effective C	Care			
	Dignified C	are			
	Timely Car	e			
	Individual (Care			
	Staff and F	Resources			
Quality, Safety	and Pation	ent Experience	<u> </u>		
		Board aim of improving the quality a	nd safety of the care		
		engaging the local population and pro			
on the standard			J		
Financial Implications					
None of note					
Legal Implicat	ions (incl	uding equality and diversity asses	sment)		
None of Note					
Staffing Implications					
None of note					
Long Term Implications (including the impact of the Well-being of Future					
Generations (Wales) Act 2015)					
o This is key to engaging the local population and ensuring that the quality of acre					
and services we provide meet local needs.					
Report History					
Appendices		One appendices			