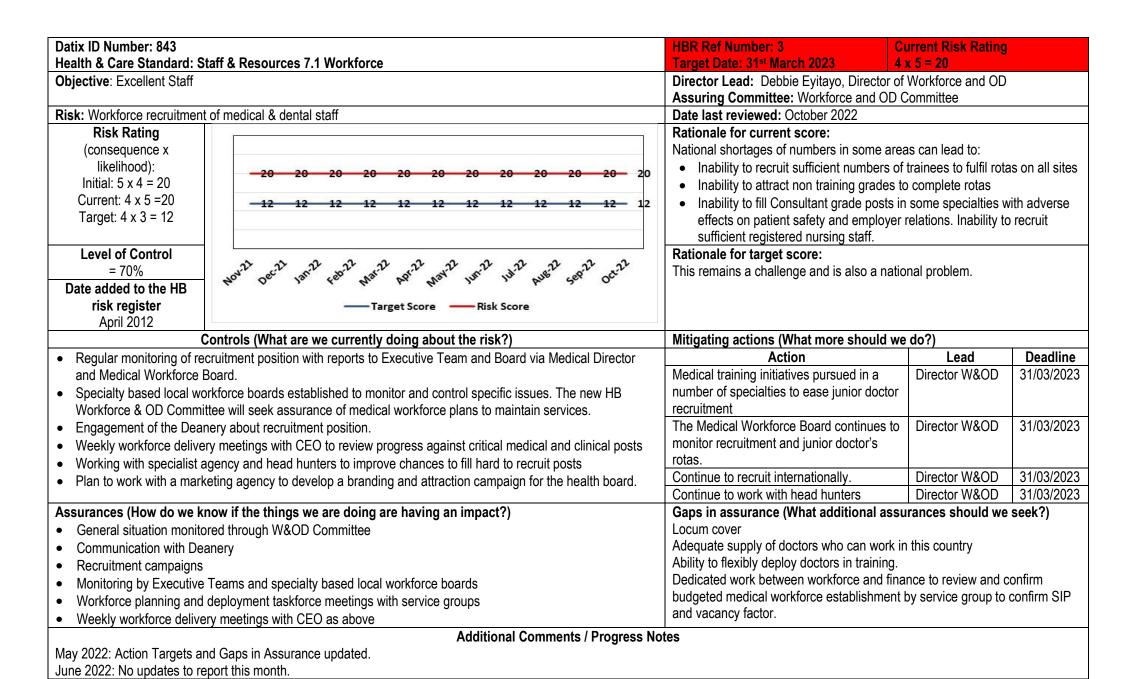


# HEALTH BOARD RISK REGISTER WORKFORCE & OD RISKS October 2022







SBU Health Board Risk Register October 2022 (WODC extract)

### Datix ID Number: 1759 HBR Ref Number: 51 **Current Risk Rating** Health & Care Standard: Staff & Resources 7.1 Workforce Target Date: 30th September 2022 $5 \times 4 = 20$ **Director Lead:** Gareth Howells. Executive Director of Nursing Objective: Excellent Staff Assuring Committee: Workforce and OD Committee Risk: Non Compliance with Nurse Staffing Levels Act (2016) Date last reviewed: October 2022 Risk Rating Rationale for current score: (consequence x likelihood): Pressures at Morriston and Singleton Hospitals remain high. Initial: $4 \times 4 = 16$ Clinically optimised patient numbers continue to be high. Current: $5 \times 4 = 20$ Ongoing cladding works in SH continue, with split wards. Target: $4 \times 3 = 12$ Impact of AMSR not fully understood, although affecting staffing in NPTSH site currently. Vacancies remain high. Non-attendance of agency staff increasing risk. Level of Control Rationale for target score: = 80%• The Health Board is ensuring we have the structures and processes in Date added to the HB risk place to provide reassurance under the Act and are allocating register resources accordingly. Risk Score Target Score November 2018 • Health Boards are duty bound to take all reasonable steps to maintain nurse staffing levels. • Student Streamlining will provide additional qualified nurses to the workforce, overseas recruitment continues. Cladding work at Singleton Hospital might still be ongoing by 31.10.22 Mitigating actions (What more should we do?) Controls (What are we currently doing about the risk?) The Health board has put the following controls in place: Action Lead Deadline Student Streamlining and Overseas • Designated person confirmed as Director of Nursing & Patient Experience. Executive 31/10/2022 • The responsibility for decisions relating to the maintenance of the nurse staffing level rests with the Health recruitment Director of Monthly ongoing Nursina Board should be based on evidence provided by and the professional opinions of the Executive Directors The Board should ensure a system is Executive 31/01/2023 with the portfolios of Nursing, Finance, Workforce, and Operations. in place that allows the recording. Monthly ongoing • The Ward Sister / Charge Nurse and Senior Nurse should continuously assess the situation and keep the Director of review and reporting of every Nursina designated person formally apprised. occasion when the number of nurses The Health Board NSA Steering group continues to meet on a monthly basis, ensuring risks are presented at deployed varies from the planned each meeting, chaired by the Interim Deputy Director of Nursing and reports to NMB and Workforce & roster. Implementation of Safecare. Organisational Development Committee commenced 1st February, roll out plan • Health Board has representation at the All-Wales Nurse Staffing Group and its sub groups. is 32 weeks. Bi-annual acuity audits, calculations and scrutiny undertaken across all acute Service Delivery Units for calculating and reporting nurse staffing requirements. • Mandatory Assurance Report submitted to November Board and May Assurance Board Paper undertaken annually. Workforce planning & redesign, training and development, recruitment and retention continues. Workforce

- meetings for each Service Group, on a rotation basis continue.
- Student Streamlining and Overseas recruitment continues, bi-annually for adult training nurses, annually for paediatric nurses.
- Robust roster scrutiny is undertaken to optimise nursing workforce
- Implementation of SafeCare underway. Completion date for roll out is 30th November 2022. Planning for further support to ensure full use of the Safecare system operationally to support the reporting potential of system.
- Workforce Plans remain in place for each Service Group to agree staffing in light of escalation, with consideration of all reasonable steps.
- Service groups continue daily staffing huddles and daily staffing tool and escalate as appropriate.
- Risk register reviewed monthly.

### Assurances (How do we know if the things we are doing are having an impact?)

- Ongoing robust recruitment and retention plans in place to reduce vacancies in key clinical areas, which is in line with the Health Board recruitment plan and recruitment team.
- Accurate reporting of Acuity data and governance around sign off.
- Agreed establishments funded.
- E-Rostering implemented and roster scrutiny undertaken, ensuring effective staff allocation
- All Wales Templates are visible informing patients/visitors of planned roster on each Section 25B ward.
- At least Annual Board reports outlining compliance and any key risks.
- Assurance reports to Board in May and November, with three yearly report to Welsh Government due Spring 2024.

### Gaps in assurance (What additional assurances should we seek?)

- Issue raised regarding Information Technology barriers around the capture of data required for the Act on an All- Wales and Health Board basis. All Wales work with Allocate (Safecare) to improve reporting capabilities of Safecare.
- Implementation of SafeCare, due to complete roll out by 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022, next phase is to support service group to ensure Safecare is used to its full potential for both operational and reporting use.
- Ongoing work across Wales to ensure IT systems are compatible with each other for operational and reporting purposes.

## **Additional Comments / Progress Notes**

21.09.2022 - Corporate Nurse Staffing Risk score remains unchanged at 20. Monthly NSA Steering Group discussed scores.

MHSG score = 20, NPTSHSG Adults = 20, Paediatrics and Neonatal = 20, Maternity = Two risks a. related to BirthRate Plus = 20 b. Critical Midwifery Staffing = 25, District nursing = 20, Mental Health = 15. Despite Maternity reporting critical midwifery staffing risk score of 25, the consensus across the group is that the overall HB NSA risk score should remain at 20 this month and will be reviewed at October NSA meeting or earlier if required.

Target scores further discussed on 20.09.22, agreement for final target score to be set at 12, with interim score to be set at 16. For review at monthly at HB NSA meeting. June bi-annual acuity undertaken, visualisers prepared through Power BI. Service groups currently finalising NSA templates. Corporate Scrutiny undertaken on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022. Safecare roll out continues in line with plans, aiming for completion by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022, now a time to embedded system into every day practice.

Student streamlining and overseas recruitment continues. Retention of staff remains a high priority. Increased uptake of exit interviews.

Vacancies reported on 12.10.22 are 337 Band 5 and 167 Band 2.

Nurse Staffing Level Mandatory Report to Board being written and for Board on 24th November 2022, on agenda for discussion at HB NSA meeting on 18th October 2022.

Datix ID Number: 2788	HBR Ref Number: 81	urrent Risk Rating		
Health Care Standards: 7.1 Workforce	Target Date: 31st December 2022		5 x 5 = 25	
Objective: Best value outcomes	<b>Director Lead:</b> Gareth Howells, Executive Director of Nursing			
	Assuring Committee: Quality & Safety Committee			
	For Information: Workforce & OD Committee			
Risk: Critical staffing levels – Midwifery	Date last reviewed: October 2022			
Vacancies and unplanned absences resulting from Covid-19 related sickness, alongside other long term absences including maternity leave, have resulted in critical staffing levels, which undermine the ability to maintain the full range of expected services safely, increasing the potential for harm, poor patient outcomes and/or choice of birthplace. Poor service quality or reduction in services could impact on organisational reputation.  Risk Rating (consequence x   likelihood):	Rationale for current score:  Pressure on staffing increased at the end of June 2022 as a result of increasing short term sickness, particularly COVID-19 related - 12.24wte midwives are absent due to COVID-19 which equates to 7.6% of the overall clinical midwifery workforce. Vacancies exist within the service however and two rounds of recruitment for Band 6 midwives have failed to fully appoint to the vacancies available. A third round of recruitment is progressing to interview stage. Some aspects of service provision have been suspended in order to ensure resource is best directed to support safe provision. Increased to 25.  Rationale for target score:  It is intended that through actions currently identified to address vacancies we can reinstate services fully and reduce the likelihood of the need to suspend elements further.			
Controls (What are we currently doing about the risk?)	Mitigating actions (What more should we do?)			
All midwives are working at the hours they require up to full time.	Action	Lead	Deadline	
<ul> <li>Specialist midwives and management redeployed to support clinical care as required</li> <li>Birth rate plus Intrapartum acuity tool completed 4 hourly to guide safe service provision and escalation;</li> <li>Escalation meeting now daily to review rotas and reallocate staff as required – this is Director led</li> <li>Morning safety huddle for community midwifery teams</li> <li>Additional shifts offered via Bank, additional hours and overtime – targeted enhanced overtime rates</li> </ul>			30/12/2022	
<ul> <li>offered for 3 weeks (from 24/06/2022) with authorisation of Executive Director of Nursing and subject to daily review. Plus enhanced bank rate offered to registered midwives.</li> <li>Utilisation of off-contract midwifery agency authorised by Executive Director of Nursing (from 24/06/2022) – prospective bookings in place to end of January 2023.</li> </ul>	Complete Birthrate+ Cymru assessment.  Head of Midwifery		Closed as separate action – to be considered as part of above	
<ul> <li>Six Graduate midwives employed October 2022</li> <li>Open advert for recruitment on TRAC</li> <li>On-Call Manager Rota in place.</li> <li>Medical team support used when required.</li> <li>Continue to suspend services in the FMU at NPT.</li> <li>International recruitment campaign initiated with MEDACS.</li> </ul>	Review the role and capacity of the HCSW to maximise registered midwife capacity.	Deputy Head of Midwifery	31/10/2022	

- Offer of additional support worker shifts particularly in the postnatal area for additional support for women
- Absences in senior roles supported mitigated as follows: Head of Safeguarding supporting the
  governance team; Temporary extension of Interim Midwifery Matron post to support oversight of the
  governance team; Retired Head of Midwifery mentoring new Deputy Head; Intrapartum Lead Midwife
  (Cwm Taf) is supporting development of future workforce requirements; WG offer of advice/support
  where required.
- Regular communication with stakeholders includes: Early warnings to Welsh Government; Verbal and formal communication with CHC; Internal communications on home births, RCM updates; weekly staff briefings and bulletins.

### Assurances (How do we know if the things we are doing are having an impact?)

We will be able to maintain safe staffing rotas and women and families will receive safe and effective care wherever they chose to birth. We will report increased staff satisfaction. We will have a reduction in complaints to the service. we will have reduced sickness rates. We will be able to effectively support secondments for staff development without depleting the clinical service. Long term sickness and maternity leave will not impact on our ability to sustain staffing levels within the clinical areas. The following assurance mechanisms in place currently:

Birth-rate Plus Intrapartum acuity tool completed 4 hourly

Daily Director-led midwifery staff escalation meetings which considers sickness & other absences and daily review of safety and quality outcomes. The Group Head of Quality Safety & Risk is supporting daily oversight of Datix incidents (commenced July 2022). Red flag events are monitored and reported in accordance with NICE Guidance 2021:

- Cancelled elective caesarean sections;
- Missed or delayed care:
- · Delayed or cancelled induction of labour;
- Delay of 2 hours or more between admission for induction of labour and beginning of process;
- Delay of 30 minute or more between presentation and triage.

### Gaps in assurance (What additional assurances should we seek?)

Incorporate Birthrate+ Cymru required staffing levels when available. To restructure the management SIP for robust management and governance including succession planning for management roles in line with RCM recommendations

Evidence has shown midwifery led intrapartum services have high value from reduced intervention rates and improved satisfaction/experience as well as financial benefits as births in midwifery led intrapartum care has lower financial cost to obstetric unit births. SBU are reporting an increase in the caesarean section rates year on year.

The ability to recruit graduate midwives to the commissioned numbers.

### **Additional Comments / Progress Notes**

03/08/2022: Management Board has approved proposal to suspend home births until end Sept to support effective deployment of staff on open services.

Work being undertaken to maximise the centralisation of community services between Neath, Swansea and Port Talbot including a modified schedule of routine antenatal and postnatal care directed by RCOG/RCM recommendations to support better deployment of staff resource. Enhanced bank rate implemented until further notice and continued use of off contract agency midwifery staff. CHC have been formally informed of the suspension of home birth services.

12.08.2022 – Situation reviewed – Risk score increased to 25 following discussions with WG as we are still unable to resume home births or reopen the birth centre.

3 actions complete - Shortlist for band 6 midwifery vacancies following closure date. Fourth recruitment round to be initiated. Interview dates to be confirmed. SBAR to be prepared for vacancy panel to advertise for Band 5 midwives where band 6 recruitment cannot be achieved.

Updated 12.9.22 - Daily meetings still taking place. Risk score remains the same at 25.

A task & finish group has been established to review the current midwifery establishments and roster templates with Finance. Update - 4/10/22 - establishments reviewed and compared to BR+; paper sent to Mgt Board due to be presented 4th November. Action completed – Task and Finish group established.

14/10/2022 - 5 x Band 5 Midwives commenced induction in October 2022. Meeting held with Community Midwives 13.10.22 - action plan presented and agreed for rotation of midwives to community posts. ..... Band 6 have commenced in October 2022. Suspension of home birth and NPT Birth Centre remains in place with a fortnightly review. Centralised community

midwifery service in place. Use of agency and bank midwifery staff approved by the Executive Team until end of January 2023. Rolling recruitment for midwives on TRAC. Options for overseas recruitment being considered.

24/10/2022- Homebirth and FMU birth remain suspended. Six of thirteen commissioned graduate midwives able to commence employment immediately. Two actions complete –

recruitment for Band 6 midwives. Recruitment for Band 8a Lead Midwife for Intrapartum Services.

Datix ID Number: 2554		HBR Ref Number: 82	<b>Current Risk Rating</b>		
Health & Care Standard: Stan		Target Date: 1st December 2023	4 x 4 = 16		
Objective: Best Value Outcomes from High Quality Care		Director Lead: Richard Evans, Executive Medical Director Assuring Committee: Performance & Finance Committee			
There is a risk that adequate E closure to this regional service associated reputational damage.  Significant reduction in a linability to recruit to some The reliance on temporal on the service of the	in Burns anaesthetic consultant numbers due to retirement and long-term sickness substantive burns anaesthetic posts orary cover by General intensive care consultants, and Consultants from the -call and Paediatric Anaesthesia rotas, to cover while building work is completed	Date last reviewed: October 2022			
	he burns service on General ITU				
	unding from Welsh Government to support the co-location of the service	Dationals for assured assure			
Risk Rating (consequence x likelihood): Initial: 4 x 3 = 12 Current: 4 x 4 = 16 Target: 3 x 1 = 3  Level of Control =  Date added to the HB risk register	25 20 20 20 20 16 16 16 16 16 16 16  3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	Rationale for current score:  This risk was increased due to closure of the Burns Unit due to staffing levels, and reduced from 25 to 20 having secured the agreement of the general ITU consultants to provide cross-cover while enabling capital works are completed. Propose reduce risk to 16 now and reduce to 12 when funding confirmed by WG.  Rationale for target score: This is a small clinical service with staff with highly specialised skills. While a small service may always be vulnerable to challenges (eg staff) the intention will be to operate a more resilient clinical model that is supported by other			
December 2021	ntuals (Milest and the annual deliner about the viole)	clinical groups.			
	ntrols (What are we currently doing about the risk?)	Action	(What more should we do?)  Lead Deadline		
Anaesthetists to support to anaesthetic colleagues to  The agreement reached is for 6-9 months while capit  Capital works will be compound with the compound of the compound o	nts, and some Consultants from the Morriston General and Paediatric he Burns service on a temporary basis, supporting the remaining burns provide cover for the Burns service.  Is that they will cover the current Burns Unit on Tempest ward at Morriston hospital all work is underway on general ITU to enable co-location of the service. pleted by mid-2023 to co-locate the burns patients within the GICU footprint. It is of the service have been kept fully informed, as has the South West (UK) are ICU co-located with Burns ICU, removing the need for dual certified consultants.	WG have agreed funding in principle for capital works to progress. Scoping document submitted to WG and discussions ongoing about expediting a decision on an outline/full business case.	Lead  Morriston Service Group	30 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	
	ow if the things we are doing are having an impact?) brary closure of the burns service in Swansea is mitigated by maintaining an urgent	Gaps in assurance (What additional assurances should we seek?)			

assessment/stabilisation service for patients in Wales with severe burns, with onward transfer for inpatient care to another unit in the UK following the initial assessment.

The service reopened fully on 14/02/2022.

# **Additional Comments / Progress Notes**

31.03.22: The service reopened fully on 14/02/2022.

Action completed - Securing the agreement of GITU consultants to cover pending completion of capital work.

13/05/22: Scoping document submitted to WG; meeting 17/05/22 to agree timescale for submission of business case. Risk score reviewed – interim arrangements working well; no concerns raised. Propose reduce risk to 16 now and reduce to 12 when funding confirmed by WG.

27.06.22 – Action complete: Submission of bid for capital funding to Welsh Government for both phases of work required.

11.08.22 – EMD has secured agreement for continued support of the Burns service by anaesthetics and critical care pending the completion of capital works. While there is willingness to provide that cover, staffing vulnerabilities remain in those clinical areas.

### **Risk Score Calculation**

For each risk identified, the LIKELIHOOD & CONSEQUENCE mechanism will be utilised. Essentially this examines each of the risks and attempts to assess the likelihood of the event occurring (PROBABLILITY) and the effect it could have on the Health Board (IMPACT). This process ensures that the Health Board will be focusing on those risks which require immediate attention rather than spending time on areas which are, relatively, a lower priority.

Risk Matrix	LIKELIHOOD (*)				
CONSEQUENCE (**)	1 - Rare	2 - Unlikely	3 - Possible	4 - Probable	5 - Expected
1 - Negligible	1	2	3	4	5
2 - Minor	2	4	6	8	10
3 - Moderate	3	6	9	12	15
4 - Major	4	8	12	16	20
5 - Catastrophic	5	10	15	20	25