

WHC Received 1 September 2022 - 31 January 2023

WHC Ref	WHC Title	Status	Applicable to PHW?	Date Issued	Deadline for Action /Response	Lead Exec	Enacted Date	Compliance Statement	Compliance Form Received	Process Complete?
WHC/2022/003	Guidance for the provision of continence containment products for adults in Wales 2022	Compliance / Action / Safety	No	01 October 2022	Review 2025	Not applicable to PHW	N/A	Not applicable - WHC not applicable to PHW		Not Applicable
WHC/2022/004	Guidance for the care of children and young people with continence problems	Action	No	01 October 2022	Review August 2025	Not applicable to PHW	N/A	Not applicable - WHC not applicable to PHW		Not Applicable
WHC/2022/023	Changes to the vaccine for the HPV immunisation programme	Information	Yes	09 September 2022	N/A	Meng Khaw, National Director of Health Protection and Screening Services, Executive Medical Director	January 2024 (see explanatory note)	This WHC relates to changes to the routine HPV schedule recommended by JCVI in a statement on 5th August 2022 and adopted by Welsh Government in a written statement on 12th August 2022. HPV vaccination is delivered by Local Health Boards in schools (normally in the spring term of years 8 & 9). These changes which reduce the number of doses given to under 25s are due to take effect in the academic year 2023/24. PHW Vaccine Preventable Disease Programme provide supporting materials and public information for the programme. All materials will require revision ahead of the change. <b>As the transition to the new programme will not occur until the academic year 23/24, and delivery is normally in spring term (Jan-March) the programme will aim to implement by January 2024</b>		Yes
WHC/2022/026	Approach for Respiratory Viruses – Technical Guidance for Healthcare Planning	Action	No	11 October 2022	Review October 2023	Meng Khaw, National Director of Health Protection and Screening Services, Executive Medical Director	Not applicable	Response from Eleri Davies: This WHC is a directive to the Health Boards and Clinical and therefore not specific to Public Health Wales. This Organisation provides the testing which underpins the respiratory virus diagnosis and management, additionally, it delivers surveillance and provides the Infection, Prevention and Control guidance referenced in the document. This WHC is about implementing these things and appropriately managing patients with antivirals. Our Public Health Wales Infectious Diseases' physicians are aware of the treatment schedules and the letter and WHC has been issued to medical colleagues across Public Health Wales.  There are no outstanding issues to highlight from this WHC.  Response from Rhiannon Beaumont-Wood: For completeness, Rhiannon e-mailed her concurrence with Eleri Davies.		Yes
WHC/2022/027	Urgent polio catch-up programme for children under 5 years old	Action		24 October 2022	N/A	Meng Khaw, National Director of Health Protection and Screening Services, Executive Medical Director	Not applicable	The WHC sets out expectations around the delivery of a catch up campaign for childhood polio vaccine. This catch up is a response to recommendations from an IMT convened by Public Health Wales in response to the ongoing polio incident in London. We have supported WG prior to the publication with information on polio vaccination coverage.  PHW VPDP are supporting this by investing in a funded comms campaign (costing approx. £10,000, launched 24/10/22).  Through our surveillance function we will continue to support the catch up campaign through reporting on changes in overall uptake of polio containing vaccines and MMR.  No further action is required.		Yes
WHC/2022/028	More than just words Welsh language awareness course	Action	Yes	10 November 2022	N/A	Neil Lewis, Director of People and Organisational Development	16 November 2022	The new Welsh Language Awareness course (More Than Just Words) is applicable to all PHW Staff. This WHC has been enacted.		Yes
WHC/2022/029	Urgent polio catch-up programme for children under 5 years old - follow up	Action		22 November 2022	N/A	Meng Khaw, National Director of Health Protection and Screening Services, Executive Medical Director	Not applicable	The WHC sets out expectations around the delivery of a catch up campaign for childhood polio vaccine. This catch up is a response to recommendations from an IMT convened by Public Health Wales in response to the ongoing polio incident in London. We have supported WG prior to the publication with information on polio vaccination coverage.  PHW VPDP are supporting this by investing in a funded comms campaign (costing approx. £10,000, launched 24/10/22).  Through our surveillance function we will continue to support the catch up campaign through reporting on changes in overall uptake of polio containing vaccines and MMR.  No further action is required.		Yes
WHC/2022/031	Reimbursable vaccines and eligible cohorts - for the 2023-24 NHS Wales Seasonal Influenza (flu) Programme	Action	Yes	08 December 2022	N/A	Joint Exec Lead - Rhiannon Beaumont-Wood, Executive Director Quality, Nursing and Allied Health Professionals / Meng Khaw, National Director of Health Protection and Screening Services, Executive Medical Director	09 December 2022	This WHC has been enacted by the VPDP team and incorporated into the advice and training provided to NHS Wales on the preparation and delivery of the influenza campaign for 2023/24		Yes
WHC/2022/035	Influenza (flu) Vaccination Programme deployment 'mop up' 2022- 2023	Action	Yes	22 December 2022	N/A	Joint Exec Lead - Rhiannon Beaumont-Wood, Executive Director Quality, Nursing and Allied Health Professionals / Meng Khaw, National Director of Health Protection and Screening Services, Executive Medical Director	22 December 2022	This WHC instructs Local Health Boards to plan to undertake influenza vaccination in mass vaccination centers to supplement the provision in GPs and community pharmacies in particular for 2-3 year olds and 16+ in clinical risk groups.  Public Health Wales does not deliver vaccination to the public. Although we have a system leadership role in providing specialist advice to LHBS and Welsh Government, we are not directly impacted by the instruction.		Yes
WHC/2023/001	Eliminating hepatitis (B and C) as a public health threat in Wales – Actions for 2022-23 and 2023-24	For Action		01 January 2023	A follow up will be sent					In Progress
WHC/2023/002	New Lower Gastrointestinal 'FIT' National Optimal Pathway	For Action		30 January 2023	23 April 2023					In Progress