DIRECTORATE REPORT TO

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND BOARD

Directorate:	Improvement Cymru
Executive Lead:	John Boulton
Reporting Month:	June
Business Executive Team Meeting Date:	19 July 2023
Board Meeting Date:	27 July 2023

Overview of Key Activities During the Month
Safe Care Collaborative - Informal IHI/IC leadership site visits to Hywel Dda University Health Board; Powys Teaching Local Health Board and Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board to support organisational connections between sponsors, improvement and organisational priorities. - Leading for Patient Safety cohort 2 applications open to enhance senior clinical and non-clinical sponsorship for Collaborative improvement teams - 3 day Scottish Improvement Leader training held in-person with 28 improvers to support improvement projects across Wales Intensive Support – Work to progress the Leading for Improvement projects in BCU   Cancer Network - Toyota are currently working with Improvement Cymru and the pilot health boards on a series of follow up visits to look at the application of learning since March. Visits are also underway to meet with the 5 additional Multi Disciplinary Teams whom we will be working with for this year. - The focus of the additional teams is for the priority cancers identified by Welsh Government. - Initial work is showing work underway to test changes in the three pilot health boards

- The learning and changes being worked on has been shared with the Wales Cancer Network and NHS Executive partners.
- Improvement Cymru is also supporting NHS Executive partners in co-facilitating some national workshops with senior clinicians to progress work on some national pathways.
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Real Time Demand Capacity (RTDC)
- Work continues with Hywel Dda University Health Board and teams at Withybush and Bronglais hospitals to look at the data and learning from the initial work on RTDC and to begin to identify the priority areas to coach and support local teams to facilitate changes.

MatNeo Safety Support Programme (MatNeoSSP)
- Final report published 11 July 2023.
- Discussions taking place with wider NHS Executive colleagues for the design of the next phase.
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NHS Exec
– NHS Executive Senior Leadership Team development day facilitated to explore Duty of Quality responsibilities, and approach to embedding quality across the NHS Executive

PHW QOS and I&I Hub:
- QOS Education Awareness materials piloted with Business and Planning Business
- Bespoke directorate coaching delivered to People and OD
- SimplyDo portal pilot launch completed and ideas currently being reviewed and actioned

Successes

- Delegation of Improvement Cymru attended the BMJ/IHI Forum in Copenhagen, with speaking and poster representation.
- Attendance at inaugural Health and Care Analytics conference (Birmingham) with two posters showcasing innovative approaches to improvement.
- Delivery of ScIL Cohort 44 learning session 1.
- Launch of the innovation champions network 5 July 2023
- Improvement Cymru and Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board project idea - '*A co-produced approach to 'waiting as well as possible*' – has won funding in this year's Q Exchange.

Any Concerns being managed:
• Emerging workplan from NHS Exec largely unquantifiable at present with tight timescales to provide support.
Forward Look of key activities for next month
Safe Care Collaborative Action-period coaching call August 2023

DIRECTORATE REPORT TO

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND BOARD

Directorate:	Health and Well-Being
Executive Lead:	Iain Bell
Reporting Month:	June
Business Executive Team Meeting Date:	19 July 2023
Board Meeting Date:	27 July 2023

Overview of Key Activities During the Month
- Second 'Hands Up Travel to School Survey' has been completed with Primary Schools.   - Recommendations and briefing on research and evidence review on extension of smoke free restrictions presented to Tobacco Control Strategic Board   - Multiagency Incident Response Group established to address increase in problematic vaping by young people   - NERS Improvement Programme agreed by NERS multi-agency advisory group   - Communication of changes to the Healthy Working Wales Programme to stakeholders   - Supported Welsh Government and Deputy Minister with Food Environment Legislation announcement providing evidence briefing for media and cross party health spokespeople, significant media engagement   - Completed initial review and testing of Add To Your Life digital tool to support those waiting for NHS care; series of engagement events with Health Boards undertaken   - Meeting with Deputy Minister regarding Whole System Approach to Healthy Weight workstream   - Evidence given to Equalities and Social Justice Committee on gender based violence and links to whole school approach to mental health work programme and Welsh Network of Health Promoting Schools. Evidence was also provided on the work undertaken to support the implementation of the Relationship and Sexuality Education Code.   - Work progressing to develop a Primary Care Health Inclusion Services service specification; engagement with key stakeholders

and presentations to the National Strategic Health Inclusion Group.
- End of Year report to capture expenditure, outcomes and benefits of the £3.8m Strategic Programme for Primary Care Fund drafted.
- Wider Determinants of Health Community of Interest Leadership Group meeting.
- Wider Determinants Unit Work and Health Workshop.

Successes

- Joint working with Welsh Government drawing on research conducted by the Health Improvement Division and findings from the Time to Talk Survey were used effectively to support the delivery of a the Food Environment Regulations announcement by the Deputy Minister.

Any Concerns being managed:

- Concerns about the ending of current fixed term funding in relation to Healthy Weight Healthy Wales, which includes £1m for the All Wales Diabetes Prevention Programme (AWDPP) and Prevention and Early Years which will now start to impact on ongoing delivery e.g. difficulty in recruitment to vacant posts
- A meeting between Public Health Wales, the WLGA and Welsh Government Education and Public Health has been arranged to work through a number of issues in relation to school meals.

Forward Look of key activities for next month

- Scrutiny session by Active Travel Board on the implementation of the Active School Travel plans on 20th July 2023.
- Greener Primary Care Framework and Award Scheme showcased at Bevan Commission Conference.
- Education attainment gap and health – understanding the system project board.

DIRECTORATE REPORT TO

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND BOARD

Directorate:	Health Protection and Screening Services Directorate
Executive Lead:	Meng Khaw
Reporting Month:	July 2023 (retrospective June forward look July)
Business Executive Team Meeting Date:	19th July 2023
Board Meeting Date:	TBC

Overview of Key Activities During the Month – June 2023

Health Protection Division

- Recruitment to Lead CCDC (Consultant in Communicable Disease Control) and another CCDC post commenced
- Discussion around long term strategy at Health Protection (HP) senior management meeting (SMT)
- Work with Welsh Government (WG) to finalise substance misuse Programme Level Agreement (PLA)

Infection Services Division

- Submission of Central Nervous System (CNS) contract ratification
- Sign off on Enteric Molecular Specification
- Agreement on procurement route for syndromic rapid molecular contract
- Working with ABUHB regarding the responsibility for Grange University Hospital (GUH) Hot Lab post September 2023

Screening Division

- Sharon and Meng gave evidence at Senedd enquiry on gynaecological cancers on 14th June
- Progressing with tender for company for solution for breast cohort selection. Discovery phase underway with Breast Test Wales (BTW) team
- Focus around preparation for implementation of the Low Risk Recall Pathway for Diabetic Eye Screening Wales (DESW) – operationally and communication

EPRR

- Participation in Wales Gold IV Course in Dyfed Powys. (07&08/06/23) & Gwent. (28 & 29/06/23).
- EPRR participation in review & update in the Communicable Disease Outbreak Plan for Wales.
- Quarterly Meeting of the 4 Nations EPRR Group to further collaborative work across the 4 nations (26/06/23).

OMD

- E-Job Planning system in data collection and building phase. A Project initiation Document has been signed and regular meetings set up with the project manager from RLDatix to develop the system for PHW.
- Governance Group within OMD to oversee Medicines Management Medical Devices management set up and meeting monthly

Successes

Health Protection Division

- Sexual health case management system business case approved by Board Executive Team (BET) and will progress to Board
- Successfully hosted the UK Field Epidemiology Training Programme (FETP) vaccinology module in Cardiff
- Successful external site visit to accredit PHW as a training site for UK FETP
- Successful acceptance of several posters and oral presentations at European Scientific Conference on Applied Infectious Disease Epidemiology (ESCAIDE) 2023

Infection Services Division

- Dr Harsha Perera appointed to role of Clinical Lead for Hywel Dda University Health Board (HDdUHB)

Screening Division

- Chair and Older People's Commissioner visited Mountain Ash Screening Centre.
- Confirmation of optimisation funding for bowel screening for 23/24 and 24/25
- DESW transformation paper prepared and to be taken to BET
- New screening venue Kimberley House, Cardiff is being well received by participants

EPRR

- Successfully delivered a series of Major Incident Awareness Events for the Health Protection Out of Hours Service (20/03 & 23/05/23)

- Successfully delivered Bomb Alerts & Suspicious Package Training for Estates (12.06.23)
- Successfully secured staff development opportunity to lead review of NHS Core Standards for Civil Contingencies with NHS Wales Executive.

OMD
- Appointment of Business / Workforce Manager for the OMD due to take up post before end of July.

Any Concerns being managed:

Health Protection Division
- The current model of out of hours continues to prove challenging with gaps needing to be filled on a weekly basis
- Slow progress in implementing the outcome from the recent Organisational Change Process

Infection Services Division
- High levels of complex long-term sickness cases. This is confounded by the low capacity for specialist support from People & Organisational Development (POD)
- Meeting with Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board (CTMUHB) colleagues to discuss expectations and implications for Public Health Wales (PHW) regarding their service model review for microbiology

Screening Division
- Pathology timeliness for cancer screening programmes
- Clinical workforce in North Wales for Breast Screening Programme; recruitment to new breast clinician post, working with Health Board around shared job plans for new potential recruitments.
- Progressing recovery, not confirmed if budget will include any recovery funding yet. Conversations ongoing with Welsh Government (WG)
- Breast Cohort Selection -working with colleagues to progress solution when current IT system is decommissioned.

EPRR
- Work ongoing to identify and implement a sustainable mechanism for receipt of Major Incident notifications. Changes to alerting processes utilised by Welsh Ambulance Service NHS Trust (WAST) and other partners mean that the current arrangements to receipt these messages will become obsolete.
- Work ongoing with WAST and NHS partners to discuss participation in Control of Major Accident Hazards (COMAH) exercises. The scale of

scenario often limits appetite to participate, and the notification process is often overlooked. NHS notification of COMAH incidents is largely via WAST – no casualties, no notification. PHW and other Local Resilience Forum (LRF) partners will only be alerted if LRF structures being established.

OMD
- Proposed transfer of trainees to NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NWSSP) as the single lead employer.
- Supporting resolution of the concerns being raised from the Out of Hours rota rearrangements

Forward Look of key activities for next month – July 2023

Health Protection Division
- HP SMT away day to discuss LTS implementation
- HP team discussion around "culture survey" results
- Communicable Diseases (CD) outbreak control plan review

Infection Services Division
- Initiation of the Enteric Molecular Testing procurement
- Appointment of Interim Virology Clinical Lead
- Direct award process for the syndromic molecular service
- Initiate the Virology Service review

Screening Division
- Ministerial Visit planned for Kimberley House - rearranging the date
- Progressing with implementation of Low- Risk Recall Pathway in June for Diabetic Eye Screening in line with agreed policy

EPRR
- Wales Silver Courses in South Wales – PHW Staff attending. (29/06 & 05/07/23).
- Next quarterly meeting of the EPBC Group (07/07/23)
- Supporting PHW engagement with Exercise DOLL House – national Counter Terrorism Policing Exercise (via Gwent LRF) (11 & 12/07/23).
- Supporting PHW attendance at COMAH Exercise at Great Bear Ltd in Deeside (13/07/23).
- PHW staff awareness sessions for PHW Emergency Response Plan (V.4) (July)

OMD
- Support to UK Public Health Register (UKPHR) Practitioner conference 2023 and awards

- Development of website to support our consultant body and initiation of Consultant Engagement Action Planning meetings.
- Arranging meetings to discuss SLE transfer and Fatigue and Facilities Charter implementation.
- Working on Orbit 360 developments to better support Public Health Consultants
- Continued development of the e-job planning system.
  Induction of new Business / Workforce Manager into post

DIRECTORATE REPORT TO

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND BOARD

Directorate:	Operations and Finance
Executive Lead:	Huw George
Reporting Month:	June 2023
Business Executive Team Meeting Date:	19 July 2023
Board Meeting Date:	27 July 2023

Overview of Key Activities During the Month
"A Strategic Approach to Infrastructure Development in Public Health Wales" covering estates, digital and capital funding developed and shared with Executive team   - The development and approval of the discretionary capital expenditure plan for 2023/24, and an update on strategic capital replacement programme. The management of the approved plan now delegated to the capital monitoring group.   - Held third cross organisational workshop to map the planning system in Public Health Wales, using QOS methodology, and identified key improvement areas   - Facilitated a workshop for the WHOCC Directorate on our long term strategy   - Planning and preparation for a review by the DHCW Cyber Resilience Unit at the beginning of July, who will audit us against the Cyber Assessment Framework   - Development of an outline plan of the Digital Services division's activities for 2023-24 and deliver against the IMTP milestones

Successes
- Launch of the brand strategy to staff following engagement with Directorate Senior Leadership Teams. This sets out our brand position and resources available to support staff in telling our story.   - Significant coverage of the evidence base to support healthy food environments including ITV, Channel 4, The Guardian, Echo, and Bauer. The "Time to Talk" survey findings were used as a news hook to show the strong public support, timed ahead of Welsh

- Government's announcements, around banning multi-buys on unhealthy food. Both Julie Bishop and Ilona Johnson were interviewed. We also produced and circulated a stakeholder brief to harness support from food and obesity sector allies.
- Communications Team has led on communications and engagement to support DESW with communicating the change around low risk screening recall pathway announced 26 June
- Following a four day external audit process, Public Health Wales achieved ISO 140001- Environment Management accreditation in June 2023 for our office environments that include Capital Quarter 2, Cardiff, Matrix House, Swansea and Clwydian House, Wrexham.
- The Programme Manager for Decarbonisation was successfully appointed to work across the organisation to take forward and embed Public Health Wales' Decarbonisation Action Plan
- Facilitated four all staff engagement sessions shaped around the implementation of our new long-term strategy, which will be presented to BET in August.
- Implemented changes to the DESW digital systems and data to deliver the low-risk recall pathway
- Successfully recruited into two vacant roles to the Digital Services development team, whilst also progressing the recruitment of new key cyber and delivery roles
- Conducted a full review of the Digital Services risks with directorate leads, with an emphasis on cyber and business continuity
- Defined actions from the series of Discovery phases and Architecture review, with Digital Services development and data teams incorporating recommendations into their plans
- Delivery of a Discovery phase for the next steps of our breast screening systems cohort selection tool.

Any Concerns being managed:

- Plans underway to remediate Welsh Language compliance issues on our web site and contributing to the action plan in response to the Welsh Language Commissioners' investigation
- The implementation of our new cloud-based web proxy (ZScaler) may disrupt some digital services in July due to the complex configuration required. The Digital Services division are working through systems that may be affected to mitigate risk of outages during switchover.

Forward Look of key activities for next month

- Formal initiation of the Web Transformation Programme
- Nine publications scheduled for July
- Staff Conference Planning will ramp up, starting with registration opening first week of July

- Engagement with the Young Ambassadors forum on the implementation of our long term strategy
- Improvement plan agreed to shape 2023/24 strategic planning process
- Supporting Web Transformation Programme to define its scope as it moves to alpha.
- Engagement with key colleagues around alignment of enabling strategies
- Working with colleagues in Screening and Data, Knowledge and Research to onboard a supplier to deliver the alpha and beta phases of a new breast screening cohort selection tool and DESW GP referrals service
- Audited against the Cyber Assessment Framework with the Cyber Resilience Unit throughout the beginning of July
- Deliver the new web proxy system and work to ensure minimal business impact to PHW staff and services during switchover
- Implement a secure system ('vault') for the management of administrative accounts to improve our cyber posture

DIRECTORATE REPORT TO

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND BOARD

Directorate:	People and Organisational Development
Executive Lead:	Neil Lewis
Reporting Month:	June 2023
Business Executive Team Meeting Date:	19 July 2023
Board Meeting Date:	27 July 2023

Overview of Key Activities During the Month
• Communicated the outputs of our culture assessment with supporting intranet pages • Launched the final Work How It Works Best (WHIWB) survey, inviting colleagues to share their feedback and reflections on the year-long WHIWB trial, as we begin a transition period to embed our new ways of working. • Worked in partnership with Trade Union colleagues to finalise resources that have been developed to support both the process and staff experience of change, aligned to the NHS Wales Organisational Change Process. These resources will be launched in August. • The Race, Ethnicity and Cultural Heritage (REACH) Network hosted a talk on the new Welsh Race Equality Standard from Professor Emmanuel who developed the tool at NHS England.

Successes
• Launched our behavioural framework - Being Our Best - which translates our values into shared commitments and behaviours. • Session held with the Board to develop and approve the draft Strategic Equality Plan objectives for 2024-28.

Any Concerns being managed:
• In late June, there were national issues with our e-recruitment system, Trac, which affected recruiting managers and caused some delays to planned recruitment activity. The Civica Trac team has been logging all issues and keeping users informed via regular email updates.

Forward Look of key activities for next month
We will: • Host a series of Policy Workshops with colleagues and Trade Union partners to review and develop new and existing policies including Mobilisation; Long-service Recognition; Supporting Learning and Development and Transitioning at Work. • Begin to evaluate the results of our final Work How It Works Best (WHIWB) survey, explore colleague reflections and use this feedback to inform how we embed our new ways of working. • Meet as a whole Directorate to share key insights, develop as a team, and reflect on our professional practice. • Finalise and translate the consultation document for our strategic Equality Objectives in readiness for the launch of the public consultation on the01 August 2023. • Plan the first of three a year in-person New Colleague Networking Events which will form part of our corporate onboarding and induction pathway; providing key moments of impact in shaping positive employee experiences for new colleagues joining PHW.

DIRECTORATE REPORT TO

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND BOARD

Directorate:	Policy and International Health, WHO CC
Executive Lead:	Sumina Azam
Reporting Month:	June 2023
Business Executive Team Meeting Date:	19 July 2023
Board Meeting Date:	27 July 2023

Overview of Key Activities During the Month

Welsh Health Equity Solutions Platform Launch:
Public Health Wales, Welsh Government and World Health Organization Europe have launched a new innovative web platform, known as the Welsh Health Equity Solutions Platform (Solutions Platform). To launch the Solutions Platform, a webinar hosted by Public Health Network Cymru was held on 22 June with around 85 attendees from multiple sectors, both nationally and internationally.

The Solutions Platform is a live portal to evidence, data, practical tools and resources to inform and support policy making, investment prioritisation, and cross-sector action, and monitor progress, towards achieving healthy prosperous lives for current and future generations in Wales and beyond. The Solutions Platform is the result of wide stakeholder engagement, expert input and applying an innovative approach and framework over the past four years, delivering to a Memorandum of Understanding between the Welsh Government and the WHO.

https://solutionsplatform.co.uk/

Time to Talk Public Health Report Feb-Mar 2023 Report 2: Food Environments & Healthy Weight:
The Time to Talk Public Health panel survey embeds public involvement and collaboration as ways of working and informing public health strategic priorities.

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https://phwwhocc.co.uk/resources/time-to-talk-public-health-february-march-2023-panel-survey-findings-report-2/

Socioeconomic Duty Toolkit
The Socio Economic Duty Toolkit is an interactive training resource aimed at engaging strategic leaders to understand how to implement the Socio Economic Duty and to use it to improve health outcomes.

The aim of this Guide is to help public bodies in Wales apply the Socio-economic Duty so that it can act as a powerful lever to improve the health outcomes for people and communities who experience socio-economic disadvantage. Public bodies have an opportunity to embed the

Duty into their systems and approaches to ensure that the Duty makes a systematic difference.

https://phwwhocc.co.uk/resources/maximising-opportunities-for-health-and-wellbeing-for-people-and-communities-experiencing-socio-economic-disadvantage-a-guide-to-using-the-socio-economic-duty-in-policy-and-practice-in-wales/

Building the social relationships of older people in Wales: challenges and opportunities:

Social capital is a protective factor for health and well-being, and differences contribute significantly to health inequalities in Wales. This paper provides a rapid review of older people's social relationships and networks and how this has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and the more recent cost of living crisis. The report identifies policy and practice examples that can promote, sustain and strengthen older people's social relationships and networks as a means of overcoming challenges and building the social capital of current and future older generations.

https://phwwhocc.co.uk/resources/building-the-social-relationships-of-older-people-in-wales-challenges-and-opportunities/

International Horizon Scanning Report - May 2023 - universal primary free school meals.

The report focussed on the impact of universal primary free school meals programmes, with specific consideration of approaches taken by other countries to address: 1) the wider determinants (e.g. inequities, educational attainment, and Financial health / COLC / child poverty and food insecurities) and 2) social impacts (e.g. social return on investment, including social skills, stigma, culture, play time/lunch time experience and local sourcing with associated economic and social benefits to local/foundational economy – sustainable procurement and menus)

https://phwwhocc.co.uk/resources/international-horizon-scanning-and-learning-report-universal-primary-free-school-meals-report-44/

Has Brexit changed detection and prevention of illicit trade in drugs, alcohol, and tobacco in Wales?

In the context of record numbers of deaths related to drug and alcohol, and smoking still the most prevalent cause of avoidable death in Wales, this briefing explores how Brexit has impacted international collaboration by Wales and the UK on detection and prevention, as well as the supply and demand of illicit goods in Wales. It calls on decision-makers to consider the impacts of Brexit when developing their

response to illicit trade in these goods and in particular, around planning for Wales's new freeports.

A webinar to discuss the report findings was hosted by Public Health Network Cymru on Thursday 29 June (Detection and prevention of illicit trade in drugs, alcohol and tobacco in Wales - Public Health Network Cymru). Further information about the event is available at: https://publichealthnetwork.cymru/event/detection-and-prevention-of-illicit-trade-in-drugs-alcohol-and-tobacco-in-wales/

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Behavioural science capability and readiness report:
This report outlines our research, in collaboration with behavioural scientists at the University of Bangor, to understand the factors influencing the application of behavioural science across the public health system in Wales, describing our methods, key findings and recommendations for enhancement. The work will shape the Behavioural Science Unit's capability-building activities and inform the development of the Unit's strategic plan.

https://phwwhocc.co.uk/bsu/

A suite of behavioural science tools and methods developed to support policy and practice in Wales and beyond: A suite of interactive tools including a "defining target behaviour" and "Gathering meaningful insights" tool have been developed which support stakeholders and practitioners to use behavioural science routinely, effectively and appropriately in their interventions to improve public health. The tools provide a step-by-step tool to develop a clear and robust definition of the behaviour and population group of focus.

The tools are available on our repository of resources to support the routine application of behavioural science across the public health system in Wales. The resources include theories, models, techniques, guides, tools and frameworks, which can be used in applying behavioural science to the design and development of services, policy, improvement or communications

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Successes

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Any Concerns being managed:

No new concerns to raise

Forward Look of key activities for next month

Behavioural Science Community of Practice Event, 4th July:

This second event for the All Wales Behavioural Science Community of Practice is co-hosted by CTMUHB Public Health Team and the Behavioural Science Unit. The event has a number of key themes including: case studies of using behavioural science in CTMUHB, introduction and instruction to two new behavioural science tools produced by the Unit, discussion of our new Capability and Readiness Report (methods, findings and recommendations) and socialising the co-development of the Strategic Plan.

Event link and further information: Behavioural Science CoP Online Event

Solutions Platform Lunch and Learn:

Following the formal launch of the Welsh Health Equity Solutions Platform, the lunch and learn session being held on 4th July provides an opportunity for Public Health Wales colleagues to find out more, ask questions and explore opportunities to share resources or case studies for inclusion on the platform.

Health Impact Assessment (HIA) of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) Report:

A participatory HIA report will identify the potential positive and negative health, well-being and equity impacts of the CPTPP on the population of Wales.

Trade and health event to demonstrate to stakeholders and decision-makers the value of an HIA-informed approach to trade agreement (CPTPP) scrutiny :

This event being held on 13th July 2023 will share the findings from our HIA of the CPTPP international trade agreement that the UK has recently acceded to. The event aims to raise awareness of how public health can be impacted, positively and negatively, by international trade agreements, the value of HIA as a method for developing and scrutinising trade agreements, and, with a panel of experts, explore how trade could be a force for good in a well-being economy by prioritising the promotion of health and well-being.

Event registration https://publichealthnetwork.cymru/event/health-impact-assessment-the-comprehensive-and-progressive-agreement-for-trans-pacific-partnership/

Homes for health and well-being: Overarching briefing:

People's homes have a significant impact on their health and well-being. This overarching briefing sets out a framework to understand the many links between health and housing, informed by the findings of lived experience research. The briefing provides the context for a briefing series that will explore each component of the framework in more depth, sharing examples of what 'good' looks like to identify actions that will help achieve our vision for a future of healthy housing.

International Horizon Scanning Report - July 2023 - Refugees and Asylum Seekers:

This report focusses on the following aspects of mental health and well-being, with a particular focus on children and young adults:

- Health and social care systems (accessibility, integration, and infrastructure)
- Social capital (belonging, community participation, culture)
- Social determinants (trauma, ACEs, education, employment)

Time to Talk Population Panel - Jun-2023 Survey:

The Time To Talk Public Health panel survey embeds public involvement and collaboration as ways of working and informing public health strategic priorities. This report covers issues including NHS waiting lists, housing, mental well-being, primary care, and violence.

Climate Change Health Impact Assessment (HIA) with areas for policy action : This report will look at the impact of climate change on health and wellbeing. The report will work to support public bodies with key evidence to help local authorities and other sectors plan their policies.

Cutting Carbon Emissions Short film (PHW Internal Launch):
A short film that demonstrates how PHW staff are reducing their carbon emissions supporting the Climate Change Strategic Priority of the Long-Term Strategy.

DIRECTORATE REPORT TO

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND BOARD

Directorate:	Quality, Nursing and Allied Health Professionals
Executive Lead:	Rhiannon Beaumont-Wood
Reporting Month:	June 2023
Business Executive Team Meeting Date:	17th July 2023
Board Meeting Date:	27th July 2023

Overview of Key Activities During the Month:

Directorate
- Draft Clinical Governance Framework has undergone significant engagement, which will form a key building block for the Quality Statements and always on reporting (pending approval at BET)
- Recruitment being progressed for four senior posts: Head of Risk Management; Director for the National Safeguarding Service; Professional Lead for Therapies and Health Sciences; and Information Governance Manager.

Quality and Nursing Division
- The final report setting out achievements and lessons learnt from the Flu Vaccine Programme 2022-23 has been published and the development of a communications plan for the flu campaign 2023-24 is complete
- Undertaken the annual professional registration audit for 2023-24 using PHW ESR records and an audit tool for NMC and HCPC registered Health Professionals
- Improved the external facing Equality and Human Rights web pages to include a repository of information and evidence for corporate learning and feedback purposes
- Developed an engagement plan to improve the number of audits being undertaken or reported in the quality and clinical audit plan.

Integrated Governance Division
- Developed a proposed three-year work plan for the Information Governance Group
- Reviewed all organisation wide Information Governance risks.

National Safeguarding Service
- Whole team development session with a focus on psychological safety, supporting the quality improvement journey of NSS,

enhancing Quality Improvement understanding to support the Network.

Successes:

- Recruitment to the newly formed Records Management team is now complete and the project board established
- Process and template for National Safeguarding Service/Network activity updates agreed as meaningful contribution at Regional Safeguarding Boards and Health Board/Trust Executive Safeguarding Groups.

Any Concerns being managed:

- No appointment made to the Head of Risk Management post after second recruitment campaign. Further work to broaden interest for prospective candidates is underway, with feedback to date suggesting that the current banding may be an issue
- Sickness absence rates continue to impact on the ability of the Directorate to provide sufficient support on Risk Management and Datix Web gaps in central risk management support are being absorbed.

Forward Look of key activities for next month:

- Refresh of 'Our approach to Engagement'
- The current Executive Director of Quality Nursing and Allied Health Professional's will retire at the end of July 23. The current Assistant Director for Quality and Nursing will act up pending the commencement of the new interim Executive Director
- Review of the Corporate Risk Register by the Leadership Team and refresh of the risk development plan based on the recommendations from the external review of risk management arrangements
- Quality Statement and Safeguarding Quality Priorities for NHS Wales out for consultation with safeguarding network
- National Safeguarding Service Network Annual Report disseminated to stakeholder organisations

DIRECTORATE REPORT TO

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND BOARD

Directorate:	Public Health Data, Knowledge & Research
Executive Lead:	Iain Bell
Reporting Month:	June 2023
Business Executive Team Meeting Date:	19 July 2023
Board Meeting Date:	27 July 2023

Overview of Key Activities During the Month

- Data Science Community Event – organised and ran a very well-received cross-organisation workshop, building skills and sharing knowledge to an audience of over 70 people.
- Prevalence of Disease – Cardiovascular Disease analysis and projections completed.
- Primary Care Cluster - profiles development started, with ~60 attendees across a range of organisations and roles.
- Three agile scoping reviews published on the Public Health Wales (PHW) website Evidence - Public Health Wales (nhs.wales)
- Supported Health Improvement team to complete a grant application to the UKRI.
- Continuing to support internal and external colleagues in the development of evaluation e.g., presented at Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (CVUHB) Local Public Health Team learning and development session on evaluation in Public Health.
- Leading and supporting the development of evaluation proposals across multiple programmes including;
  - local innovation (eg Prehab to Rehab, Inverse care law in BCUHB),
  - national vaccine programmes,
  - national wellbeing conversation (Hapus Strategic Partnership Theory of Change).
- Research and Evaluation Strategy approved by Knowledge, Research and Information Committee (KRIC), Board and BET now progressing to implementation stage.
- Presented Networked Data Lab Wales (NDL) analysis to Welsh Government and NHS Wales Modelling collaborative, on Unpaid Carers, utilising linked local authority and primary care data.
- Met with NHS England National Diabetes Audit for 2023-24 publication of England/Wales data.

Successes

- Chairs of PHW, Digital Health and Care Wales (DHCW), Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) reached agreement on the implementation of the Artificial Intelligence (AI) commission, with Iain Bell as the PHW Executive Lead.
- Selected a partner for the National Health Application and Infrastructure Services (NHAIS) Cohort Selection and Diabetic Eye Screening Wales (DESW) GP Referrals Project.
- Invited to develop symposium at 2nd WHO Symposium on the Future of Health Systems in the Digital Era.
- Collaborative research proposal on Real-time Multiplex Public Health Surveillance Systems, led by Imperial College, partnered with the Alan Turing Institute now progressed to the second stage with UK Research and Innovation (UKRI); also supporting two Health Determinants Research Collaboratives submissions have also reached the second stage for National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR) funding, with multiple partners across Wales.
- Advanced Data Engineer, Lead Delivery Manager and Lead Cyber Security Manager positions approved by job evaluation panel and can recruitment to the roles has commenced.
- The new Cancer Reporting Tool (official statistics) was released on 22 June 2023, with incidence figures up to 2020 for breast, colorectal, lung, ovary and prostate cancer. There has been excellent feedback from users. The remaining sites will be added in September 2023, along with a new publication of more timely pathology cancer stats.
- Positive feedback - JLH and CG in Research and Evaluation (R&E) division supported the evaluation of the pilot implementation of 'IPC workbooks for preventing infection in care homes and domiciliary care in Wales: Guidance for social care staff'. The work has been widely well received and has been also accepted for IP2023 Conference as a poster and entered for a Nursing Award. *"Thanks Charlotte, truly grateful for the support received by you both to get this document out and the impact on the sector."*
- Presentation of agile scoping review on 'Inequalities in Access to Healthcare Services' at the Health Services Research UK Conference. Access to services: Anamica Patel - YouTube

Any Concerns being managed:

- The delay in getting job descriptions banded continues which is resulting in delays in filling key posts. People & Organisation Development are aware of the ongoing issues being experienced.
- Our laptops are insufficiently powerful to run more complex data science and modelling processes. We are working with the digital services team to find an interim solution as we consider our strategic cloud solutions.

Forward Look of key activities for next month

- Prevalence of Disease – Cancer (top sights) and smoking projections are due to be completed this month (July 2023). Respiratory disease has been started (due August), after which we will move on to mental health (due September)

- Initial findings from the Annual Knowledge and Research User Survey.