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**Purpose and summary of document:**

The purpose of this paper is to provide the Public Health Wales Board with a written update, which includes information on a number of strategic developments and issues. These include:

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## **1 Welcome and thanks**

I extend a warm welcome to Dr Tracey Cooper who joined us on 1 June 2014 as our Chief Executive. I would also like to reiterate my thanks to Mr Huw George for most successfully undertaking the role of Interim Chief Executive and to Ms Tamira Rolls for effectively discharging her role as Acting Director of Finance.

## **2 Performance review with Minister for Health and Social Services**

I had my annual performance review with the Minister for Health and Social Services on 16 June 2014. I shall provide the Board with a verbal update on the principal issues discussed and agreed.

## **3 Meeting with Chairs, Chief Executives and Minister for Health and Social Services**

I attended a meeting with the Minister for Health and Social Services and Chairs and Chief Executives of Health Boards and Trusts on 28 May 2014.

Matters discussed included updates on the Andrews Review, Integrated Medium Term Plans, and a discussion with Baroness Ilora Finlay in regard to her Draft Report on Unscheduled Care and Older Persons.

## **4 Supporting People Programme and Minister for Housing and Regeneration**

I met the Minister for Housing and Regeneration, at his request, to discuss research to assess the effectiveness of the Supporting People Programme delivery arrangements.

## **5 Bevan Commission**

A hosting agreement between Public Health Wales and Welsh Government is being developed which will enable good governance arrangements to be put in place.

Recruitment for members of the new Bevan Commission has begun. Expressions of interest are being sought and the membership will be expanded to include additional areas of experience and expertise to meet the more extensive role and remit. The Minister has agreed the programme of work over the next two years with a particular emphasis on

Prudent Healthcare, 'Choosing Wisely' and related initiatives. A new structure and operating model for the Commission has been agreed by the Minister. The Minister has emphasised that the Commission shall strongly maintain its role as an independent source of authoritative and expert advice.

## **6 Prudent Healthcare**

We have prepared a paper on Achieving Prudent Healthcare in Wales which summarised the discussions and outcomes of the recent Prudent Healthcare Workshops. This paper has been welcomed by the Minister for Health and Social Services. In July, the Board will consider the paper and discuss the way forward.

## **7 Interim Local Government Board Member**

Alison Ward CBE, Chief Executive, Torfaen County Borough Council has been appointed as interim local government Board member for Public Health Wales. I would like to welcome Alison, who will be attending her first Board meeting in the interim role on 26 June 2014. The exact terms of the interim appointment are still to be determined.

## **8 'Policy Forum for Wales'**

A number of concerns had been raised by the Board in regard to the 'Policy Forum for Wales'. Members of the Board met with the organisers of the 'Forum' to discuss these matters following our decision to refrain from participation in the forums. The Chief Executives of NHS Wales Health Boards and Trusts also requested clarification about certain issues relating to the 'Policy Forum' which our Interim Chief Executive raised during the meeting. I am expecting further correspondence from the organisers of the 'Policy Forum' addressing the matters we discussed with them.

## **9 Round table on health policy and research capacity**

I participated in the second roundtable on health policy and research capacity in Wales and the potential to build a collective relationship with the UK health think tanks. The meeting was arranged by Wales Public Services 2025 and attended by Ruth Hussey (Chief Medical Officer), Helen Birtwhistle (Welsh NHS Confederation), Professor Jonathan Bisson and Professor Stephen Martin (Cardiff University), Ifan Evans, Alex Hicks, and Leighton Phillips (Welsh Government) and Michael Trickey (Wales Public Services 2025).

## **10 Welsh Board Occupational Therapy Conference**

In my role as Vice President of the College of Occupational Therapists I attended the Welsh Board conference and delivered the closing plenary. The theme for the conference was 'Occupational Therapy in Wales: Empowering and Influencing – what role will you play?' The Minister for Health and Social Services gave the Key Note Address on 'Prudent Healthcare'. In the afternoon I discussed the proposed practical application of Prudent Healthcare Principles and the opportunities this offers Occupational Therapists.

## **11 Visit from Dr David Bratt**

During May 2014 we arranged a study tour for Dr David Bratt. Dr Bratt is Chief Medical Advisor, New Zealand Ministry for Social Development and Principal Medical Advisor to Minister, the Hon Paula Bennett.

Board Members had the opportunity of meeting Dr Bratt when he joined us for lunch at the last Informal Board meeting.

During his visit Dr Bratt met a number of key people from the Welsh Government including the Chief Medical Officer, Minister for Health and Social Services, Minister for Economy, Science and Transport. He also had meetings with Cardiff University and the University of South Wales. He visited GP surgeries in Swansea. I also helped Dr Bratt in arranging meetings with colleagues in England with particular interests in Occupational Health and Assessment of Disability and Capacity for Work.

## **12 Vocational Rehabilitation Association**

As Patron of the Vocational Rehabilitation Association I provided the opening and concluding remarks at their annual conference on 15 May 2014 entitled 'coming of age'. I was made an Honorary Life Member of the Association.