Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 3 – Senedd
Meeting date: Thursday, 8 March 2012
Meeting time: 13:30 – 15:20

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members: Mark Drakeford (Chair)
Mick Antoniw
Rebecca Evans
Vaughan Gething
William Graham
Darren Millar
Lindsay Whittle
Kirsty Williams

Witnesses: Dr Maire Doran, Posture and Mobility Service, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
Gareth Evans, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
Helen Hopton, Artificial Limb and Appliances Service, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
Fiona Jenkins, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
Andrew Lloyd, Artificial Limb and Appliances Service, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
Daniel Phillips, All Wales Posture and Mobility Service Partnership Board
Dr Cerilant Rogers, Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee

Committee Staff: Llinos Dafydd (Clerk)
Catherine Hunt (Deputy Clerk)
Victoria Paris (Researcher)

1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions
1.1 Apologies were received from Elin Jones and Lynne Neagle. There were no substitutions.
2. One-day inquiry on wheelchair services in Wales – Oral evidence

2a. The NHS provider's perspective

2.1 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee on wheelchair services in Wales.

2.2 Dr Doran agreed to provide the following additional information as requested by the Committee:

- A definition of “repair” (as referred to during the discussion on the approved repairer’s success in achieving its targets);
- Her thoughts on the trajectory for the development of services in North Wales over the next 12 months;
- A copy of the allocation letter received from the Welsh Government following the rejection of the North Wales service’s bid for resources to support adult services.

2.3 Mr Lloyd agreed to provide a draft copy of the new referral process being developed by the South Wales Artificial Limb and Appliance Service.

2.4 The witnesses agreed to provide their thoughts on the 3 key areas where further progress is needed in wheelchair services in Wales.

2b. The planner's perspective

2.5 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee on wheelchair services in Wales.

2.6 Dr Rogers undertook to provide further information clarifying timescales in relation to planning and service specification delivery from the perspective of the WHSSC / the All Wales Posture and Mobility Service Partnership Board.

3. Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for item 4

3.1 The Committee agreed the motion to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for item 4.

4. One–day inquiry on wheelchair services in Wales – Consideration of evidence

4.1 The Committee considered the evidence it had received on wheelchair service in Wales and agreed that a paper setting out the key themes from the evidence should be prepared for its consideration.

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