

# Health, Wellbeing and Local Government Committee

## Minutes (HWLG(3)-06-10)

**Date:** Thursday 18 March 2010

**Time:** 9.15 - 11.19 a.m.

**Venue:** Committee Room 1, Senedd

### Assembly Members in Attendance

Darren Millar, Clwyd West (Chair)  
Andrew R.T. Davies, South Wales Central  
Lorraine Barrett, Cardiff South and Penarth  
Peter Black, South Wales West  
Helen Mary Jones, Llanelli  
Dai Lloyd, South Wales West  
Ann Jones, Vale of Clwyd  
Val Lloyd, Swansea East

### In Attendance

Victoria Franklin, Director of Nursing, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board  
Carol Shillabeer, Director of Nursing, Powys Teaching Local Health Board  
Richard Lee, Regional Director—Central and West, Welsh Ambulance Service NHS Trust  
Dr Jean Matthes British Association of Perinatal Medicine  
Dr Andrew Dawson, Fellow of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and Chair of the National Specialist Advisory Group on Obstetrics and Gynaecology

### Assembly Staff

Marc Wyn Jones, Committee Clerk  
Sarita Marshall, Deputy Committee Clerk  
Sarah Hatherley, Members' Research Service

### Item 1: Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public.
- 1.2 Apologies had been received from Irene James. There were no substitutions.

### Item 2: Committee Inquiry into Neonatal Care: Evidence from Health Boards

- 2.1 The witnesses responded to questions from the Committee.

#### Action

Information on Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board's capacity and demand model for neonatal units to be forwarded to Committee

Cost of neonatal services carried out in England for Welsh patients and number of patients from England receiving neonatal services in Wales to be forwarded to Committee.

Details of timescale for improvements to Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board accommodation facilities to be forwarded to Committee.

Clerks to write to the five health boards not represented at the meeting to request information about arrangements for neonatal services.

### Item 3: Committee Inquiry into Neonatal Care: Evidence from Welsh Ambulance Service NHS Trust

- 3.1 The witness responded to questions from the Committee.

#### Action

Welsh Ambulance Service to provide further information on the issues raised with its representative in Committee.

### Item 4: Committee Inquiry into Neonatal Care: Evidence from BAPM and RCOG

4.1 The witnesses responded to questions from the Committee.

**Private Session**

**Action**

Clerks to forward transcript to Director of Nursing for Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board for response in light of Dr Jean Matthes' evidence.

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