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		Agenda Item	2.3 (i)
Freedom of Information Status		Open	
Reporting Committee	Performance and Finance Committee		
Author	Liz Stauber, Head of Corporate Governance		
Chaired by	Reena Owen, Independent Member		
Lead Executive Director (s)	Darren Griffiths, Interim Director of Finance		
Date of last meeting	28 July 2020		
Summary of key matters considered by the committee and any related decisions made.			
<p>- Reset and Recovery Co-Ordination of Services –</p> <p>Members received a report setting out the reset and recovery of essential services as part of the response to the Covid-19 pandemic. As part of the discussion, changes in behaviours were highlighted as a stark reduction in attendances at emergency departments had been evident as well as fewer planned care referrals received, but these were both now starting to increase. Work was being undertaken to understand the potential demand for essential services and the possible capacity. Prioritisation would be key to delivering services and new criteria had been issued by Welsh Government which differed to that of the traditional referral to treatment time (RTT) targets, and included additional categories, which blurred the boundaries. Each work cell was led by a unit director and while timelines were not made explicit within the report, each one had a plan aligned with timescales and objectives. As many services would be brought back online for which it was safe to do so. While the numbers of Covid-19 cases in the hospitals were reducing, it was still present within the community, therefore preventative steps were being included as part of the pre-operative assessment, such as self-isolation.</p> <p>It was also noted that while the health board was not quite in the position to understand fully the expenditure in response to the pandemic, budgets had been rebased to pre-Covid-19 levels in order to measure costs as well as to understand where other expenditure was being incurred.</p>			
Key risks and issues/matters of concern of which the board needs to be made aware:			
No others items were discussed.			
Delegated action by the committee:			
No delegated action was taken by the committee.			
Main sources of information received:			
- Essential services report			
Highlights from sub-groups reporting into this committee:			
No reports were received from sub-groups.			

Matters referred to other committees	
Date of next meeting	22 September 2020