

Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Bae Abertawe

Swansea Bay University Health Board

HEALTH BOARD RISK REGISTER WORKFORCE & OD RISKS June 2022





Datix ID Number: 843 Health & Care Standard: St	aff & Resources 7.1 Workforce		urrent Risk Rating x 5 = 20		
Objective: Excellent Staff		Director Lead: Debbie Eyitayo, Director of Workforce and OD			
		Assuring Committee: Workforce and OD Committee			
Risk: Workforce recruitment of medical & dental staff		Date last reviewed: June 2022			
Risk Rating		Rationale for current score:			
(consequence x		National shortages of numbers in some area	as can lead to:		
likelihood):	- 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20	 Inability to recruit sufficient numbers of 	trainees to fulfil rota	s on all sites	
Initial: 5 x 4 = 20		 Inability to attract non training grades to 	o complete rotas		
Current: 4 x 5 =20	-12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	 Inability to fill Consultant grade posts in 	some specialties w	ith adverse	
Target: 4 x 3 = 12		effects on patient safety and employer	relations. Inability to	recruit	
		sufficient registered nursing staff.			
Level of Control		Rationale for target score:			
= 70%	1422 ANEST SEDI OCTA NOVA DECT ISTA FEDA NOTA ADIA NOTA INTA	This remains a challenge and is also a national problem.			
Date added to the HB	2. Bon 30. On 40 On 20 to the Mr. Dr. Mr. In				
risk register					
April 2012					
	ontrols (What are we currently doing about the risk?)	Mitigating actions (What more should we do?)			
	cruitment position with reports to Executive Team and Board via Medical Director	Action	Lead	Deadline	
and Medical Workforce E		Medical training initiatives pursued in a	Director W&OD	31/03/2023	
 Specialty based local wo Workforce & OD Commit 	rkforce boards established to monitor and control specific issues. The new HB tee will seek assurance of medical workforce plans to maintain services.	number of specialties to ease junior doctor recruitment			
	ery about recruitment position.	The Medical Workforce Board continues to	Director W&OD	31/03/2023	
00	y meetings with CEO to review progress against critical medical and clinical posts	monitor recruitment and junior doctor's	Director WaoD	01/00/2020	
	gency and head hunters to improve chances to fill hard to recruit posts	rotas.			
•	eting agency to develop a branding and attraction campaign for the health board.	Continue to recruit internationally.	Director W&OD	31/03/2023	
	eany agency to develop a branding and attraction campaign for the health board.	Continue to work with head hunters	Director W&OD	31/03/2023	
Assurances (How do we kr	now if the things we are doing are having an impact?)	Gaps in assurance (What additional assu	rances should we		
	red through W&OD Committee	Locum cover			
Communication with Dea		Adequate supply of doctors who can work in this country			
Recruitment campaigns		Ability to flexibly deploy doctors in training.			
 Monitoring by Executive Teams and specialty based local workforce boards 		Dedicated work between workforce and finance to review and confirm			
	deployment taskforce meetings with service groups	budgeted medical workforce establishment by service group to confirm SIP			
	ry meetings with CEO as above	and vacancy factor.			
	Additional Comments / Progress N	otes			
May 2022: Action Targets an	d Gaps in Assurance updated.				
June 2022: No updates to re	port this month.				

Datix ID Number: 1759 Health & Care Standard: St	aff & Resources 7.1 Workforce	HBR Ref Number: 51 Target Date: 30 th September 2022	Current Risk R 5 x 4 = 20	ating	
Objective: Excellent Staff		Director Lead: Gareth Howells, Executive Director of Nursing Assuring Committee: Workforce and OD Committee			
Risk: Non Compliance with Nurse Staffing Levels Act (2016)		Date last reviewed: June 2022			
Risk Rating (consequence x likelihood): Initial: 4 x 4 = 16 Current: 5 x 4 = 20 Target: 4 x 2 = 8 Level of Control	20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 2	 Rationale for current score: Risk remains high, despite improvements to COVID related sickness and shielding staff. Cladding works in Singleton Hospital have increased risk. Pressures at Morriston site remain high. 			
= 80% Date added to the HB risk register November 2018	W ² ² A ² Set O ² NO ² D ² D ² Jar ² Jar ² Feb ² Ma ² A ² M ² M ² Jur ²	 Rationale for target score: The Health Board is ensuring we have the structures and processes to provide reassurance under the Act and are allocating resources accordingly. Health Boards are duty bound to take all reasonable steps to mainta staffing levels. Student Streamlining will provide additional qualified nurses to the workforce, overseas recruitment continues. Cladding work at Singlet Hospital might still be ongoing by 31.10.22 			
	ntrols (What are we currently doing about the risk?)	Mitigating actions (What more should we do?)			
The Health board has put the	e following controls in place:	Action	Lead	Deadline	
The responsibility for details of the responsibility for details of the responsibility for details of the responsibility for the responsite for the responsibility for the responsibility for the respons	firmed as Director of Nursing & Patient Experience. ecisions relating to the maintenance of the nurse staffing level rests with the based on evidence provided by and the professional opinions of the Executive	Student Streamlining and Overseas recruitment	Executive Director of Nursing	31/10/2022 Monthly ongoing	
 Directors with the portfolios of Nursing, Finance, Workforce, and Operations. The Ward Sister / Charge Nurse and Senior Nurse should continuously assess the situation and keep the designated person formally apprised. The Health Board NSA Steering group continues to meet on a monthly basis, ensuring risks are presented at each meeting, chaired by the Interim Deputy Director of Nursing and reports to NMB and Workforce & Organisational Development Committee Health Board has representation at the All-Wales Nurse Staffing Group and its sub groups Bi-annual calculations undertaken across all acute Service Delivery Units for calculating and reporting nurse staffing requirements Mandatory Assurance Report submitted to November Board, May Assurance Board Paper currently being prepared, for draft submission to March Nurse Staffing Group Workforce planning & redesign, training and development. recruitment and retention continues. Weekly Workforce meeting for each Service Group, on a rotation basis, re-instated w/c 15th November 2021, every fifth week all Service groups to attend for Transformation work. 		The Board should ensure a system is in place that allows the recording, review and reporting of every occasion when the number of nurses deployed varies from the planned roster. Implementation of Safecare, commenced 1 st February, roll out plan is 32 weeks.	Executive Director of Nursing	01/11/2022 Monthly ongoing	

 Student Streamlining and Overseas recruitment continues. Robust roster scrutiny is undertaken to optimise nursing workforce Implementation of SafeCare underway. Roll out to first 5 wards in MHSG commenced 1st February 2022. All Wales SOP has been supported by All Wales NSA Group and remains a working document as implementation of Safecare continues and understanding evolves. Workforce Plans have been developed by each Service Group to agree staffing in light of escalation to surge & super surge due to COVID-19, with consideration of all reasonable steps. Service groups continue daily staffing huddles and daily staffing tool and escalate as appropriate Risk register reviewed monthly. Assurances (How do we know if the things we are doing are having an impact?) Ongoing robust recruitment and retention plans in place to reduce vacancies in key clinical areas, which is in line with the Health Board recruitment plan. Accurate reporting of Acuity data and governance around sign off. Agreed establishments to be funded. E-Rostering implemented and roster scrutiny undertaken, ensuring effective staff allocation All Wales Templates are visible informing patients/visitors of planned roster. At least Yearly Board reports outlining compliance and any key risks. 	 Gaps in assurance (What additional assurances should we seek?) Issue raised regarding Information Technology barriers around the capture of data required for the Act on an All- Wales and Health Board basis. Implementation of SafeCare end of this year potential to cause additional work at ward level, particularly around the bi-annual acuity data collection, planned support from corporate nursing team to reduce impact as much as possible. Ongoing work across Wales to ensure IT systems are compatible with each 			
 Mandatory Assurance report to Board in May. Monitoring arrangements 	other for operational and reporting purposes.			
HB NSA and NMB				
Patient Information available on all Section 25B wards				
Additional Comments / Progress				
27.06.2022 – No change from previous month's risk scores. Monthly NSA Steering Group discussed scores at Paediatrics and Neonatal = 20, maternity = 20, District nursing = 20, Mental Health = 15.	nd corporate risk remains at 20. MHSG score = 20, NPTSHSG Adults = 20,			
June Acuity audit underway.				
Safecare roll out continues in line with plans, aiming for completion November 2022.				
Service groups report that student streamlining has been successful.				
Improving COVID related sickness and most shielding colleagues now returned to work, some in different capa Vacancies reported on 15.6.22 are 336 Band 5 and 132 Band 2.	acity.			

Datix ID Number: 2377 Health & Care Standard: Staff & Resources 7.1 Workforce		HBR Ref Number: 76 Target Date: 30 th September 2022	Current Risk Rating 5 x 2 = 10	
Objective: Partnerships for Care		Director Lead: Debbie Eyitayo, Director of Workforce & OD Assuring Committee: Workforce & OD Committee, Health & Safety Committee		
Risk: Partnership Working There are some remaining tensions between the Health Board and some trade union partners within SBUHB particularly in response to the supply of PPE which has the potential to create unrest in the workforce and hamper an effective response to COVID-19		Date last reviewed: June 2022		
workforce and hamper an effective response to COVID-19. Risk Rating (consequence x likelihood): Initial: $5 \times 5 = 25$ Current: $5 \times 2 = 10$ Target: $5 \times 1 = 5$ y_{k}^{27} , y_{c}^{27} , y		Rationale for current score: From the beginning of the Covid outbreak staff side including the BMA have been extremely critical of the HB position and demanded that the HB operate outside of national guidance, demanding widespread use of higher levels of PPE than the all Wales position allows. They engaged with external media and voiced their concerns in very direct and critical terms, threatening to involve the Minister. Whilst the degree to which these interjections continue to be raised in the health board Partnership Forum and Local Negotiating Committee has reduced, their position has not fundamentally changed. As Wales learns to manage in a post Pandemic environment this risk is expected to reduce further. There had been a local campaign actively encouraging union members to raise retrospective Datix incident for any staff who had a positive Covid test. This has generated circa 1600 Datix entries. LPF meetings had increased in frequency during the height of the pandemic and as of March 2022 are reducing to normal bi-monthly arrangements. This risk will be reviewed in a month's time to take account of the new revised risk assessment which is to be published imminently as well as plans to manage Covid as an endemic.		
Level of Control = 25% Date added to the HB risk		Rationale for target score: Ideally staff PPE in line with PHW guidance. In doing their levels of general concern and anxiet	so they would reassure	staff and reduc
register May 2021				
Controls	s (What are we currently doing about the risk?)	Mitigating actions (What	t more should we do?)	
• After a near two years of	fortnightly and then monthly meetings the frequency of PF has recently	Action	Lead	Deadline
reverted to normal bimonthly arrangements as the Covid related content has now reduced		Develop an effective working relationship	Assistant Director of Workforce & OD	31/09/2022

 significantly. Sub group meeting frequency is unchanged and will service to fill any gap or need to provide more frequent contact between staff side and HB management. Employees continue to be encouraged to raise concerns via existing mechanisms. HB will continue to utilise the briefings process to be transparent about issues such as PPE to improve confidence in the supply and availability. Chief Executive and other Executive Directors will attend HB Partnership Forum on a regular basis. Partnership principles and ways of working will be emphasised as the most effective approach to secure progress. The Health Board will continue to develop an effective working relationship with all trade union partners and collectively via the agreed HB Partnership Forum. Frequent meetings will continue to take place, supplemented by local discussions when required. 		
 Assurances (How do we know if the things we are doing are having an impact?) Monitored through range of contact points with staff side organisation mainly LPF and other routine meetings interaction with staff side. Reduction in direct action by staff side and the issue of PPE not being consistently raised through formal channels media etc. 	Gaps in assurance (What additional assurances sho N/A	uld we seek?)
Additional Comments / Progr 01.04.22 – Two actions completed - The Health Board will continue to develop an effective working relati Forum. Commission IPA services to provide a series of Partnership workshops for senior managers and	onship with all trade union partners and collectively via the Reps to explore the relationship and develop plan for impl	

20.04.22 - Staff side sub-group action complete - Two facilitated sessions took place in October 2021 with Staffside Colleagues, HR colleagues, Executives and Service Groups reps, on what partnership working in SBU looks like and any improvements that are required. An action plan was derived on the back of the sessions which has been agreed and signed off by the Director of Workforce and OD and the Staff Side Chair. The action plan has been taken through Health Board Partnership Forum and will be overseen through that forum. Further work has also been undertaken on the Health Board Partnership Forum with clear escalation framework produced for agenda items.

17.05.2022 - As the HB moves to manage Covid as endemic we have still seen some concerns raised at PF by staff side covering PPE issues in this transitional period. However these concerns have not been on the same scale or intensity as previously seen at the height of the pandemic. The risk score has not been adjusted but over the coming months the score is expected to reduce and the risk as framed reviewed with a view to closure.

Datix ID Number: 2569	Pagauraga 7 1 Warkford	HBR Ref Number: 77	Current Risk Rating	
Health & Care Standard: Staff Objective: Excellent Staff	& Resources 7.1 Workforce	Target Date: 30th September 2022 3 x 4 = 12 Director Lead: Debbie Eyitayo, Director of Workforce & OD Assuring Committee: Workforce & OD Committee		
Pandemic. Local prevalence or of the second wave impacting s	d impact on staff wellbeing - both physical and mental relating to Covid f Covid infections increasing positive testing and the debilitating effect taff. Impact direct in terms of Covid / related sickness (symptomatic ymptomatic). Increased staff absence impact on the pressures for	Date last reviewed: June 2022		
Risk Rating (consequence x likelihood): Initial: 5 x 5 = 25 Current: 3 x 4 = 12 Target: 5 x 2 = 10	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	Rationale for current score:Whilst direct Covid related absence has reduced in recent months the HBsignificant number of staff who either caught Covid or were directly impactdue to self-isolation and or the impact of being Clinically Extremely Vulner(CEV). Some 350 staff are still not yet back into a substantive role. Althouabsence levels have reduced the proportion of that % relating to stress hadincreased. It is still too early to be sure that long term impacts of the pandhave already manifested itself. The health board has a number of staff withCovid whose return to work is not certain and whose sick pay protection wlater this year.		
Level of Control = 25% Date added to the HB risk register	Target ScoreRisk Score	Rationale for target score: All organisations would wish for their staff to be resilient to the impact of working within their organisation. The significant ongoing impact of Covid would never be zero but through a range of interventions in place we would hope to minimise the		
May 2021		impact on staff to an acceptable level.		
Controls	(What are we currently doing about the risk?)	Mitigating actions (What more should we do?)
Additional recurrent W	ellbeing funding support gained (1/4/22) as a result of successful	Action	Lead	Deadline
 enhanced intervention the team. A TRiM (tran priority areas and sup trained and over 1,768 Additional resource to gained (currently until work with bespoke additional resource to 	delivering the Staff Post-Covid Wellbeing Strategy. This focuses on s for individual trauma support, group support and related training for uma risk management) team has been established to roll out TRiM to port services after adverse and critical events. 70 staff have been 3 staff have undertaken the REACT MH training. support the Occupational Health Long Covid clinics has also been March 31st 2023) to support staff to manage their health and return to vice and adjustments, as appropriate.	OH Case conferences renamed 'Employee Support Reviews.' SOP developed and to be introduced to improve dialogue with all parties to support employees return to work.	Professional Head of Staff Health & Wellbeing	29 th July 2022

Occupational health providing advice for staff return to work after Covid-19 and supporting the WF risk assessment.			
Assurances (How do we know if the things we are doing are having an impact?) Monitoring of Sick absence (long, short term and Covid related), staff impacted by CEV and the numbers of staff seeking to access the supporting mechanisms already in place.	Gaps in assurance (What additional assurances should we seek?) I the N/A		
Additional Comments / Pro 24.06.22 – Employee Support Reviews to be introduced July 2022. Working with HR colleagues to en- absence. 29.06.2022 – One action completed - Covid Risk Assessment tool has been reviewed by WG, OH Cas introduced to improve dialogue with all parties to support employees return to work.	sure TRiM and Wellbeing Champion res		

Datix ID Number: 2788 Health Care Standards: 7.1	Workforce			urrent Risk Rating 4 x 5 = 20
Health Care Standards: 7.1 Workforce Objective: Best value outcomes		Target Date: 31st October 2022 4 x 5 = 20 Director Lead: Gareth Howells, Executive Director of Nursing Assuring Committee: Quality & Safety Committee For Information: Workforce & OD Committee		
Risk: Critical staffing levels – MidwiferyMidwifery absence rates are outside of 26.9% uplift leading to difficulty in maintaining midwifery rotas in the hospital and community setting.Risk Rating (consequence x likelihood): Initial: $4 x 5 = 20$ Current: $4 x 5 = 20$ Target: $4 x 4 = 16$ Level of Control 		Date last reviewed: June 2022 Rationale for current score:		
		 Midwifery absence fluctuating between 35 and 39% in April 2022. Vacance exist within the service however two rounds of recruitment for Band 6 midwir have failed to appoint to the vacancies available. There is an increase in attrition rates for promotion and opportunities neighbouring health boards. A national RCM survey reports an increasing in the number of midwives retir and leaving the profession which is reflected in SBUHB. Rationale for target score: We can provide assurance of fully funded and appointed rotas other than for short term sickness reports. 		
Con	trols (What are we currently doing about the risk?)	Mitigating actions (Wh	at more should	we do?)
	at the hours they require up to full time.	Action	Lead	Deadline
	nanagement redeployed to support clinical care as required a week to review rotas and reallocate staff as required	Shortlist for band 6 midwifery vacancies following closure date	Deputy Head of Midwifery	10/05/2022
 Morning safety huddle for 	community midwifery teams ced band 6 midwives. 5.2 in train.	Complete recruitment for band 6 midwives	Deputy Head of Midwifery	30/06/2022
 Advertisement for further experienced midwves on TRAC Recruitment of graduate midwives via streamlining in train. 12 Midwives due to be employed October 2022 Daily Midwifery acuity prepared and circulated to senior midwifery management All additional shifts offered via Bank, additional hours and overtime Continue to suspend services in the FMU at NPT Offer of additional support worker shifts particularly in the postnatal area for additional support for 		SBAR to be prepared for vacancy panel to advertise for Band 5 midwives where band 6 recruitment cannot be achieved	Head of Midwifery	31/05/2022
		Complete workforce paper with HR and finance to establish vacancy position and develop vacancy tracker going forward	Head of Midwifery	30/06/2022
women		Complete Birthrate+ Cymru assessment	Head of Midwifery	30/06/2022
	ow if the things we are doing are having an impact?) afe staffing rotas and women and families will receive safe and effective care	Gaps in assurance (What additional Incorporate Birthrate+ Cymru required		

wherever they chose to birth. We will report increased staff satisfaction. We will have a reduction in complaints to the service. we will have reduced sickness rates. We will be able to effectively support secondments for staff development without depleting the clinical service. Long term sickness and maternity leave will not impact on our ability to sustain staffing levels within the clinical areas.	To restructure the management SIP for robust management and governance including succession planning for management roles in line with RCM recommendations Evidence has shown midwifery led intrapartum services have high value from reduced intervention rates and improved satisfaction/experience as well as financial benefits as births in midwifery led intrapartum care has lower financial cost to obstetric unit births. SBU are reporting an increase in the caesarean section rates year on year.				
Additional Comments / Progres					
HoM working with WG and BR+ as a stakeholder for BR+ Cymru project.					
Representatives for the WG Digital Cymru project for single maternity information system to reduce duple	lication and thereby introduce time savings.				
• National Midwifery Workforce summit being held 30 th May 2022 led by CMO due to national midwifery st Update 03.05.2022 - staff unavailability remains over 30%. Recruitment undertaken 3.2wte appointed with a Infant feeding coordinator role will release seconded midwife back to service. Recruitment in progress with r	u further 1.0wte interview to be undertaken w/c 3/05/2022. further appointment to egular updates. Band 5 graduate midwives remain on uplift hours up to full time.				
Staff escalation meeting now three times weekly. Staff engagement event for NPT Birth centre on 26/04/20 information. Further meeting arranged with Service Group to consider way forward w/c 9/05/2022. Outcome					
Update 23.06.2022 - Clinical midwifery staffing unavailability now 48%. peak annual leave in the summer maintain rosters.	onths and increase in Covid cases, long term sickness impacting on ability to				
The recruitment drive for band 6 midwives include 4.2 wte from April with no suitable applicants with advert closing 1st June 2022. advert to be reposted on trac to include all registered					

midwives.

Increase in communication from community midwives who are exhausted at the hours they are working to maintain service and provide on-call cover on an ongoing basis in addition to their contracted hours.

Meeting held with community midwifery teams 23/06/2022 to advise the ongoing excessive hours being worked are not acceptable. the management team are reviewing how we will maintain service during the three months until September 2022 when a number of graduate midwives will join the service - our next optimistic recruitment (if all register with the NMC in a timely manner).

SBARS completed and sent to professional and service group leaders in relation to critical midwifery staffing, streamlining and backfill for mat leave and secondments. Discussion held with RCM representative to apprise of situation.

Datix ID Number: 2554 Health & Care Standard: Sta	indard 5.1 Timely Access		Current Risk Rating 4 x 4 = 16	
Objective: Best Value Outcor		Director Lead: Richard Evans, Executive Medical Director Assuring Committee: Performance & Finance Committee For Information: Quality & Safety Committee, Workforce & OD Committee		
There is a risk that adequate I closure to this regional service associated reputational dama • Significant reduction • Inability to recruit to s • The reliance on temp Morriston General or in order to co-locate	ns service if Burns Anaesthetic Consultant cover not sustained Burns Consultant Anaesthetist cover will not be sustained, potentially resulting in e, harm to those patients would require access to it when closed and the ge. This is caused by: in Burns anaesthetic consultant numbers due to retirement and long-term sickness substantive burns anaesthetic posts porary cover by General intensive care consultants, and Consultants from the n-call and Paediatric Anaesthesia rotas, to cover while building work is completed the burns service on General ITU unding from Welsh Government to support the co-location of the service	Date last reviewed: June 2022		
Risk Rating (consequence x likelihood): Initial: 4 x 3 = 12 Current: 4 x 4 = 16 Target: 3 x 1 = 3 Level of Control = Date added to the HB risk register December 2021	25 20 20 20 20 20 16 16 	Rationale for current score:This risk was increased due to closurelevels, and reduced from 25 to 20 havirgeneral ITU consultants to provide crossare completed. Propose reduce risk tofunding confirmed by WG.Rationale for target score:This is a small clinical service with staffsmall service may always be vulnerablewill be to operate a more resilient clinicalclinical groups.	ng secured the agreen s-cover while enabling 16 now and reduce to with highly specialise to challenges (eg sta	tent of the g capital works 12 when d skills. While a ff) the intention
	ontrols (What are we currently doing about the risk?)	Mitigating actions (Wha	t more should we do	?)
 The general ITU consulta Anaesthetists to support anaesthetic colleagues to The agreement reached if for 6-9 months while capi Capital works will be com WHSSC as commissione Regional Burns Network 	Ints, and some Consultants from the Morriston General and Paediatric the Burns service on a temporary basis, supporting the remaining burns o provide cover for the Burns service. Is that they will cover the current Burns Unit on Tempest ward at Morriston hospital tal work is underway on general ITU to enable co-location of the service. Interest by mid-2023 to co-locate the burns patients within the GICU footprint. It is of the service have been kept fully informed, as has the South West (UK) are ICU co-located with Burns ICU, removing the need for dual certified consultants	Action WG have agreed funding in principle for capital works to progress. Scoping document submitted to WG and discussions ongoing about expediting a decision on an outline/full business case.	Lead Morriston Service Group	Deadline 30 th November 2022

Assurances (How do we know if the things we are doing are having an impact?)	Gaps in assurance (What additional assurances should we seek?)			
Effect on patients of the temporary closure of the burns service in Swansea is mitigated by maintaining an urgent				
assessment/stabilisation service for patients in Wales with severe burns, with onward transfer for inpatient care				
to another unit in the UK following the initial assessment.				
The service reopened fully on 14/02/2022.				
Additional Comments / Progress Notes				

31.03.22: The service reopened fully on 14/02/2022.

Action completed - Securing the agreement of GITU consultants to cover pending completion of capital work.

13/05/22: Scoping document submitted to WG; meeting 17/05/22 to agree timescale for submission of business case. Risk score reviewed – interim arrangements working well; no concerns raised. Propose reduce risk to 16 now and reduce to 12 when funding confirmed by WG. 27.06.22 – Action complete: Submission of bid for capital funding to Welsh Government for both phases of work required.

Risk Score Calculation

For each risk identified, the LIKELIHOOD & CONSEQUENCE mechanism will be utilised. Essentially this examines each of the risks and attempts to assess the likelihood of the event occurring (PROBABLILITY) and the effect it could have on the Health Board (IMPACT). This process ensures that the Health Board will be focusing on those risks which require immediate attention rather than spending time on areas which are, relatively, a lower priority.

Risk Matrix	LIKELIHOOD (*)				
CONSEQUENCE (**)	1 - Rare	2 - Unlikely	3 - Possible	4 - Probable	5 - Expected
1 - Negligible	1	2	3	4	5
2 - Minor	2	4	6	8	10
3 - Moderate	3	6	9	12	15
4 - Major	4	8	12	16	20
5 - Catastrophic	5	10	15	20	25