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Reporting Committee	Mental Health Legislation Committee		
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Chaired by	Stephen Spill, Vice Chair		
Lead Executive Director (s)	Gareth Howells, Executive Director of Nursing and Patient Experience (Interim)		
Date of last meeting	03 November 2022		
Summary of key matters considered by the committee and any related decisions made.			
<p>Mental Health Act Monitoring Report – Activity in the civil sections has been consistent with other reporting period except for the use of section three has consistently increased for the last four reporting periods. There were no unannounced HIW inspection visits during this reporting period. However, the teams have been active in the quality and safety unannounced nursing ward visits which has identified a number of training opportunities for staff which in turn has had a significant impact on mental health act statutory document errors with only eleven rectifiable errors reported during this period;</p> <p>Key matters raised by members;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Issues in relation to discharges on to community treatment orders had been escalated to locality managers and clinical directors.</i> <p>Powers of discharge committee update - The number of hearings postponed due to lack of social service representation remains a huge problem causing delays upon delays resulting in a deputy attending to represent the patient who doesn't always have the knowledge of the patient. The issue had been raised previously and the Director of Mental Health and Learning Disabilities had communicated the issue with local services but the position remained unchanged. An incident report is completed each time a hearing is postponed therefore there is an audit trail for the health board. However, the position remains unacceptable</p> <p>Key matters raised by members;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Lack of social service representation remains an issue;</i> - <i>A number of experienced hospital managers have either retired or stepped down for the role, therefore it was fair to stay those remaining in position were struggling.</i> <p>Recruitment of Associate Hospital Managers - Committee members approved the process for the recruitment of Associate Hospital Managers for approval by the Health Board's Legislative Committee.</p>			
Key risks and issues/matters of concern of which the board needs to be made aware:			
Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards –			
<p>Key matters raised by members;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Lack of BIA Assessors – both internal and external continues to be challenging;</i> - <i>Inability to rely on ESR system when reporting on training numbers;</i> - <i>Risk rating to be reviewed on the health board risk register;</i> 			

Delegated action by the committee:	
None identified.	
Main sources of information received:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An update on the health board's implications and preparedness surrounding Liberty Protection Safeguards; - Mental Health Measure Monitoring Report. 	
Highlights from sub-groups reporting into this committee:	
None identified.	
Matters referred to other committees	
None identified.	
Date of next meeting	04 May 2023