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		Agenda Item	2.2
<b>Freedom of Information Status</b>		Open	
<b>Reporting Committee</b>	Performance and Finance Committee		
<b>Author</b>	Georgia Pennells, Corporate Governance Officer		
<b>Chaired by</b>	Pat Price, Independent Member		
<b>Lead Executive Director (s)</b>	Darren Griffiths, Director of Finance and Performance		
<b>Date of last meeting</b>	27 June 2023		
<b>Matters to Draw to the Attention of the Board (particularly areas relating to risk or quality)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Financial Month 2 Position</b>  <i>Key Matters Raised by Members for Board Attention:</i> Members remained concerned by the financial position at month 2. Members acknowledged that several high-level actions were work in progress including enhanced weekly monitoring for Morrision and NPTS that did provide a level of assurance. However, there was still a significant risk at the end of month 2, a £47.3m risk was reported linked primarily to the delivery of savings and run rate pressures. Members had raised that there hadn't been an improvement to the variable pay element despite the progress of overseas recruitment. The risk rating was discussed however, members were advised that a risk rating of 20 was appropriate as the impact was significant and it didn't warrant an increase of rating at this stage, the rating would be re-evaluated week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> July based on the trajectory recovery.         </li> </ul>			
<b>Other Areas of Discussion</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Month Two Performance Report</b>            Unscheduled care reporting was a cause for concern, and assurance was provided that it was the service group's priority to improve the ambulance handover delays and reduce the twelve hour waits. The orthopaedic target timeframes were discussed, and it was highlighted that it was the Chief Executive Officers expectation to reach 0% on the long waits over 104 weeks by the end of March 2024, but it was recognised as a big challenge. It was noted that confirmation of funding from Welsh Government hadn't been received, and it was highlighted that regardless of the funding position capacity in orthopaedics would still be an issue.         </li> <li> <b>Management Response to the Audit Wales Orthopaedic Report</b>            Members acknowledged the Audit Wales report was based on an audit that took place in 2018 and the service model was in a completely different place since then. The plans which were in place now were evolving, and it was important to work through the key recommendations based on the service model in place today. Members agreed that the management response to the Audit Wales Report and the information provided was robust, and recognised the progress made in the service to date was a great achievement. They were further assured that the strategy in place was robust and consistent with the May 2022 GIRFT recommendations.         </li> <li> <b>Performance Report – Speech and Language Therapy</b>            The adult services have now achieved a fully recovered position. However, the paediatric service continued to face challenge in achieving full recovery. Paediatric demand had         </li> </ul>			

increased by 28% compared to 2019/2020 baseline position. New patient activity within the paediatric service had increased by 31% without additional investment to achieve this. This was achieved by identifying efficiencies within the department by way of a full systems review and members congratulated the service on their innovative and proactive approach. Members were concerned as to how the service would manage the 30% increase in patient activity without any additional resources, and how the activity would be managed given the difficulties of recruitment and retention. Members were assured that recent recruitment activity had been successful, noting that SBUHB were the only health board able to recruit to all band 6 vacancies.

- **Board Effectiveness**

The board effectiveness report was noted.

- **Month Two Financial Monitoring Return**

The month two financial monitoring return were noted.

- **Endoscopy**

Due to the ongoing concerns on the performance of endoscopy, a brief presentation was received under any other business. Members acknowledged the recent work of the NHS Delivery Unit who agreed to undertake a diagnostic analysis, and were advised a deep dive report would be brought to the July 2023 committee.

### Decisions Made for Approval by the Board

There were no decisions made for approval by the board.

### Updates Received from Sub-Groups

There were no updates from sub-groups received.

### Matters Referred to Other Committees

There were no matters referred to other committees.

<b>Date of next meeting</b>	25 July 2023
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