

Quality and Safety Group Key Issues Report	
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The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the matters identified by Quality and Safety Group to be brought to the attention of the Quality and Safety Committee and Management Board following discussions at the last meeting

Date of Report:	15 th October 2025
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Date of Meeting:	7th October 2025
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Group/Committee Chair	Executive Director of Nursing and Patient Experience Quoracy: the group was with three Group Nurse Directors or suitable deputies being present for the meeting.
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Report Submitted by	Head of Quality and Safety
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Report Sponsored by	Executive Director of Nursing and Patient Experience (EDON)
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1.	Agenda	The Quality and Safety Group meets monthly. Agenda for September meeting included as Appendix 1 (full papers available on request) please note this is a PDF version of the agenda, embedded papers can be requested separately.
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2.	Alert	Welsh Nursing Care Record (WNCR) Digital Health and care Wales are restructuring the roadmap for WNCR. Maternity will 'go live' in March 2026. Never Events no new Never Events reported. Two open Never Events have been closed and learning identified. Joint Safety Investigation Group for Wales Ambulance Service Trust, Standard Operating Procedures and Terms of Reference approved. West Ward Gorseinon verbal update provided that at the time of the meeting patients were settled and staff were continuing to provide excellent care.
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3.	Awareness	Patient Story received from the Neuro-rehabilitation service describing a patient journey having experienced Guillain-Barre Syndrome. The team at Neath Port Talbot Hospital was commended for their compassionate, patient-centred care Joint Commissioning Committee Quarterly Report received , received for noting. This report included an updated position on the new Wales Ambulance Service framework which is showing early signs of improvement in the timeliness of attendance at the scene. Quality Dashboard update received. The final quarter will be ready on December 1 st 2025 and will contain patient and staff experience data. Local Standards for Invasive Procedures (LocSSIPs) service groups provided an updated position and agreed to bring comprehensive reports to the January meeting and
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		<p>to ensure that all LocSSIPs are centrally stored on the central repository.</p> <p>External Inspection paper received noting that health Inspectorate Wales were on site in Clyne and Fendrod wards at the time of the meeting.</p>
4.	Assurance	<p>Audit Management Action Tracking (AMaT) quarterly report received noting audits added for Maternity, Decontamination and Pharmacy.</p> <p>Controlled Drugs Bi-Annual Report (full report included Appendix 2) described the revised governance structure for Controlled Drugs and reporting arrangements, which will be quarterly from service groups, through Quality and Safety Group.</p> <p>Medicines Management Prescribing Indicators quarterly report received. We are ranked in the top three health boards in 8 out of 12 prescribing indicators in Primary Care. There have also been notable improvements in indicators where we had previously ranked amongst the lowest. Improved monitoring of license compliance has been brought in following a statement of non-compliance that had been issued by the Medicines and Healthcare Product Regulatory Agency (MHRA) with regard to Cefn Coed. This has now been resolved.</p> <p>Ligature Risk Assessments Morrison, Neath Port Talbot Singleton, Primary Care and Community confirmed all patient areas have up to date ligature risk assessments. Mental Health and Learning Disabilities have one area overdue for assessment which was due to be assessed the week after the meeting.</p>
5.	Review of Risks	No unmitigated risks identified within the meeting,
6.	Sharing of Learning	<p>Controlled Drugs Management within service groups learning shared in relation to the important of policy familiarisation and incident reporting.</p> <p>Never Event learning shared within the meeting.</p>
7.	Actions to be consider by the Quality and Safety Committee/ Management Board	<p>QSC and Management Board are asked to:</p> <p>Note the outcome of the Quality and Safety Group meeting and the detail of the appendices as follows</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quality and Safety Group Agenda 2. Controlled Drugs Biannual Report 3. Quality Priorities Quarterly Report