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Requested:

I have noticed there are several services no longer available at Prince Philip Hospital in Llanelli. Could you please provide me with a complete list of any health services that have been relocated to other hospitals during the years 2017-2022?

Clarified

I want a complete list of all services that are no longer provided at PPH.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that the following changes have been made to the services provided at Prince Philip Hospital (PPH) :

- Fracture clinic – Temporarily relocated to Orthopaedics in Glangwili General Hospital (GGH) due to the increased demand during the COVID-19 pandemic. The UHB has plans to reinstate these services in PPH in March 2022.
- Phlebotomy – Temporarily relocated to community centres to avoid overcrowding in the Pathology Department and to maintain the two (2) metre social distancing rules. The service and its location are currently under review, as both patients and GPs have suggested continuing with an offsite service, in addition to reinstating the service in PPH.
- Out of Hours (OOH) Service - The overnight shift was temporarily relocated to GGH at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic due to the UHB being unable to staff the department. Therefore, two (2) GP's were allocated to GGH to cover the overnight OOH service which facilitated home visiting. Whilst the GP led Minor Injuries Unit (MIU) remained operational for attending patients. This temporary change of the OOH Service is currently under review.