CYFARFOD BWRDD PRIFYSGOL IECHYD UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD MEETING

DYDDIAD Y CYFARFOD:	27 May 2021
DATE OF MEETING:	
TEITL YR ADRODDIAD:	Financial Report – Month 1 2021/22
TITLE OF REPORT:	
CYFARWYDDWR ARWEINIOL:	Huw Thomas, Director of Finance
LEAD DIRECTOR:	
SWYDDOG ADRODD:	Rebecca Hayes, Senior Finance Business Partner
REPORTING OFFICER:	

Pwrpas yr Adroddiad (dewiswch fel yn addas) Purpose of the Report (select as appropriate)

Ar Gyfer Trafodaeth/For Discussion

ADRODDIAD SCAA SBAR REPORT

Sefyllfa / Situation

The purpose of this report is to outline the Health Board's financial position to date against our Draft Interim Annual Plan and assess the key financial projections, risks and opportunities for the financial year.

Asesiad / Assessment

HDdUHB's Draft Interim Financial Plan is to deliver a deficit of £57.4m, after savings of £16.1m.

Month 1 position

• The Month 1 Health Board financial position is breakeven against a deficit plan of £4.8m, after utilising £5.7m of WG funding for COVID-19, having offset £0.8m of cost reductions recognised due to reduced operational activity levels.

Projection

- Following confirmation of COVID-19 sustainability and programme funding from WG, the Health Board is forecasting to deliver the planned deficit of £57.4m. The risk to the in-year delivery is considered to be Low, recognising that the Health Board has limited risk of any significant increase in Workforce expenditure given the restricted supply.
- The in-year gap between the savings target and identified savings schemes of £8.1m is mitigated by non-recurrent WG funding in relation to COVID-19. The identified Amber schemes of £8.1m are also currently assessed as non-recurrent. Discussions are ongoing on the implications of this on our underlying deficit, given the significant risk of a deterioration from £57.4m in 2020/21 to £76.4m in 2021/22 if recurrent savings schemes of £16.1m are not identified in-year, and were enhanced cleaning standards implementation costs not funded recurrently.
- The current forecast does not include Recovery costs or any funding assumption, given that plans have been submitted to WG and confirmation of any approval of plans and

corresponding funding is yet to be received; the plans would need to be revised to accommodate the level of funding available, either through new in-year WG funding or by re-purposing existing expenditure plans.

Savings

- Whilst the focus of the Health Board is on identifying and implementing recurrent schemes, the current combination of capacity and COVID-19 pressures being experienced operationally has diverted significant managerial resource which has meant that recurrent plans are yet to be identified. However, £8.1m of Amber non-recurrent schemes have been identified to mitigate the in-year position, albeit this creates a significant level of risk against the potential growth in underlying deficit. The identified schemes and opportunities framework continue to be focused upon, to secure conversion/confirmation of recurrent schemes.
- In-month delivery of £0.2m, which is in line with the plan of identified savings schemes.
 The remaining unidentified target is directly attributable to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the resulting in-month charge of £1.3m has been offset with WG COVID-19 funding.

Next Steps

- Determine revenue impact for FY22 of actions taken in response to COVID-19.
- Conclude internal planning discussions, balancing available resources and strategic responses, undertaking internal governance to dictate the appropriate way forward.
- Continually refine the analysis of the underlying deficit to provide an ongoing pipeline of opportunities for improvement.

Summary of key financial targets

The Health Board's key targets are as follows:

- Revenue: to contain the overspend within the Health Board's planned deficit
- Savings: to deliver savings plans to enable the revenue budget to be achieved
- Capital: to contain expenditure within the agreed limit
- PSPP: to pay 95% of Non-NHS invoices within 30 days of receipt of a valid invoice
- Cash: While there is no prescribed limit for cash held at the end of the month, WG
 encourages this to be minimised and a rule of thumb of 5% of monthly expenditure is
 used. For the Health Board, this is broadly £4.0m.

Key target		Annual limit	YTD limit	Actual delivery	Forecast Risk
Revenue	£'m	57.4	4.8	4.8	Low*
Savings	£'m	16.1	1.3	0.2	Low
Capital	£'m	22.7	0.8	8.0	Low
Non-NHS PSPP	%	95.0	95.0	n/a	Low
Period end cash	£'m	4.0	4.0	0.7	Low

^{*} The Health Board recognises that the risk against delivery of financial balance is high, and at this stage is reviewing all opportunities to reduce the revenue deficit in-year.

Argymhelliad / Recommendation

The Board is asked to discuss and note the financial position for Month 1 2021/22.

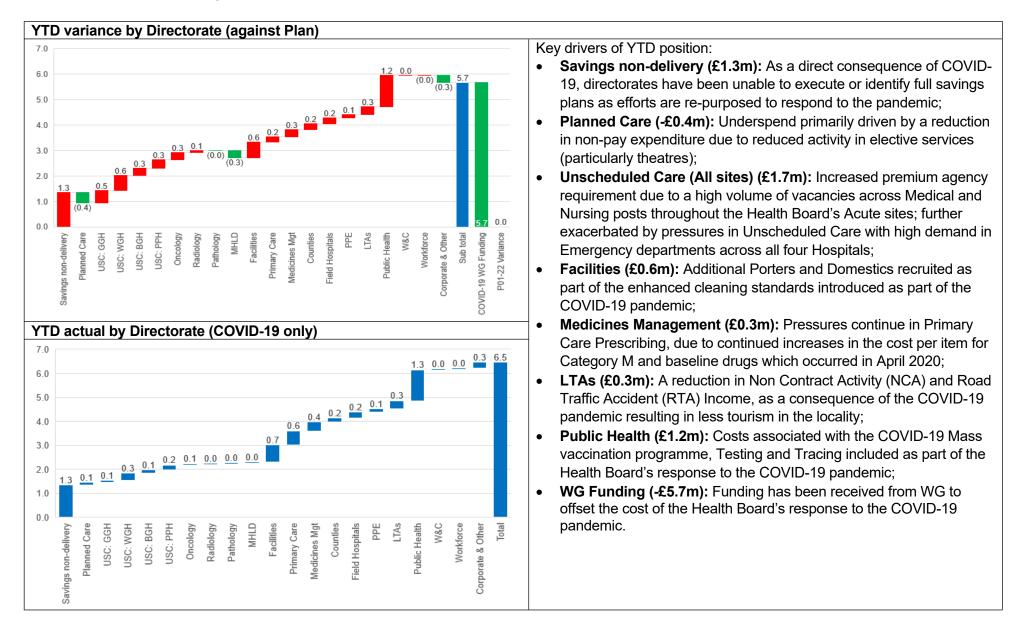
Amcanion: (rhaid cwblhau) Objectives: (must be completed)	
Cyfeirnod Cofrestr Risg Datix a Sgôr Cyfredol: Datix Risk Register Reference and Score:	856 (score 10) Ability to deliver the Financial Plan for 2020/21 – to be replaced by a new risk "Ability to deliver the Financial Plan for 2021/22" 646 (score 16) Ability to achieve financial sustainability over medium term
Safon(au) Gofal ac lechyd: Health and Care Standard(s):	5. Timely Care7. Staff and Resources
Amcanion Strategol y BIP: UHB Strategic Objectives:	All Strategic Objectives are applicable
Amcanion Llesiant BIP: UHB Well-being Objectives: Hyperlink to HDdUHB Well-being Statement	Improve Population Health through prevention and early intervention

Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol: Further Information:	
Ar sail tystiolaeth:	Monitoring returns to Welsh Government based on the
Evidence Base:	Health Board's financial reporting system.
Rhestr Termau: Glossary of Terms:	BGH – Bronglais General Hospital CHC – Continuing Health Care
Glossary of Terris.	FYE – Full Year Effect
	GGH – Glangwili General Hospital
	GMS – General Medical Services
	MHLD – Mental Health & Learning Disabilities
	NICE – National Institute for Health and Care
	Excellence
	NOAC - Novel Oral Anti-Coagulant
	OOH – Out of Hours
	PPH – Prince Philip Hospital
	PSPP– Public Sector Payment Policy
	RTT – Referral to Treatment Time
	TB – Tuberculosis
	WG – Welsh Government
	WGH – Withybush General Hospital WRP – Welsh Risk Pool
	WHSSC – Welsh Health Specialised Services
	Committee
	WTE – Whole Time Equivalent
	YTD – Year to date
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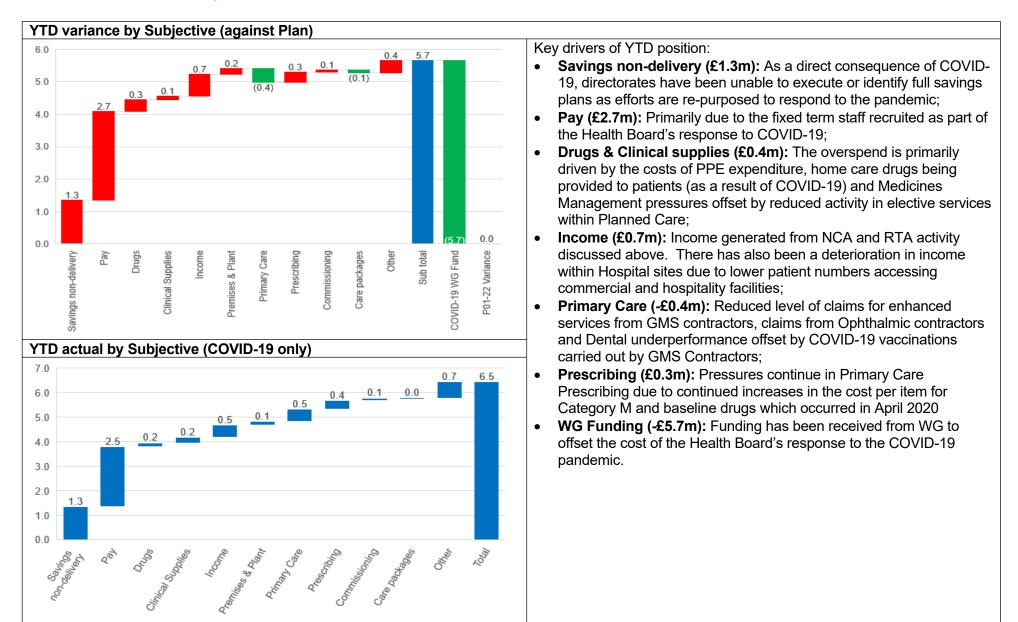
Parties / Committees consulted prior	
to University Health Board:	

Effaith: (rhaid cwblhau) Impact: (must be completed)	
Ariannol / Gwerth am Arian: Financial / Service:	Financial impacts and considerations are inherent in the report.
Ansawdd / Gofal Claf: Quality / Patient Care:	These are assessed as part of our savings planning.
Gweithlu: Workforce:	The report discusses the impact of both variable pay and substantive pay.
Risg: Risk:	Financial risks are detailed in the report.
Cyfreithiol: Legal:	The Health Board has a legal duty to deliver a breakeven financial position over a rolling three-year basis and an administrative requirement to operate within its budget within any given financial year.
Enw Da: Reputational:	Adverse variance against the Health Board's financial plan will affect our reputation with Welsh Government, Audit Wales, and with external stakeholders.
Gyfrinachedd: Privacy:	Not Applicable
Cydraddoldeb: Equality:	Not Applicable

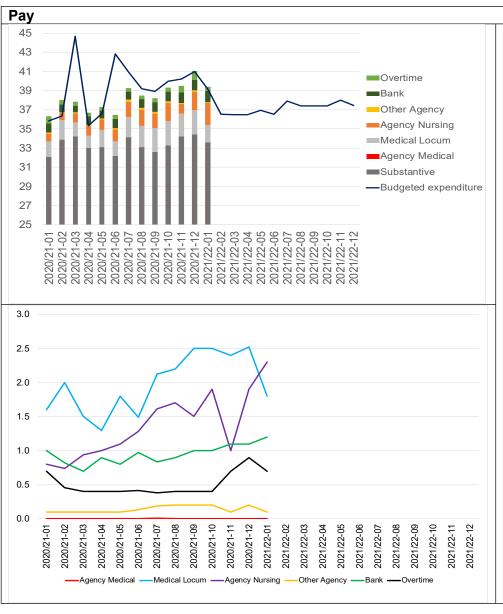
Revenue Summary



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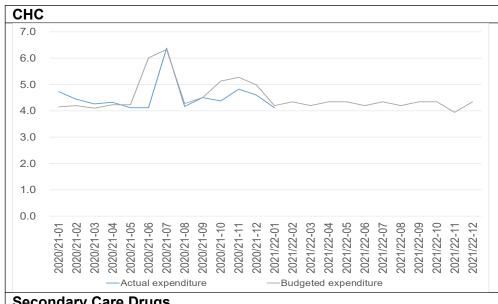
Subjective Summary



Pay costs have reduced by £1.7m in month. The main drivers for the reduction pertain to the following movements from last month:

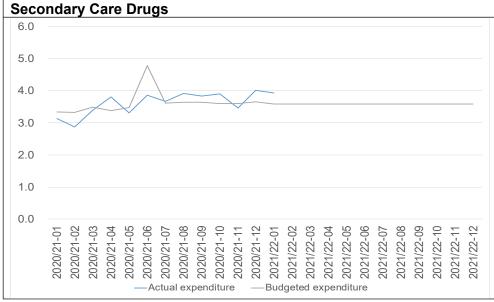
- Substantive costs (-£0.8m): The reduction is primarily due to a reduction in WTE in April as several Fixed term staff (mainly in Hotel Services) did not have their contracts renewed;
- Agency Medical (-£0.7m): A reduced requirement in Medical cover in the month due to reduced prevalence of COVID-19, a reduction in premium Medical costs in Withybush General Hospital and Glangwili General Hospital and a release of unpaid claims;
- Agency Nursing (£0.4m): Increased Agency Nurse requirement in the month due to a high volume of vacancies across the Health Board further exacerbated by pressures in Unscheduled Care, with high demand in Emergency departments across all four Hospitals;
- Overtime (-£0.5m): A decrease in the cost of overtime in-month as the enhanced rates of overtime ceased at the end of March.

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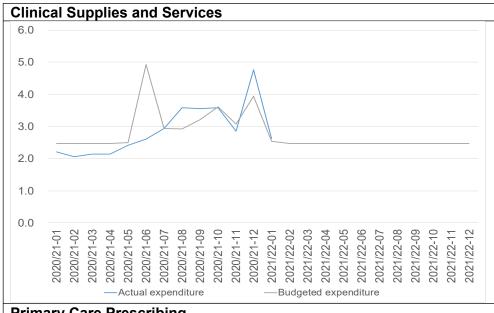
Continuing Health Care expenditure has reduced in month by £0.5m driven by the following:

- Client packages (-£0.4m): A reduction in the number of General Nursing, Funded Nursing, Mental Health and Children's packages of care in-month;
- Retrospective CHC reviews (-£0.1m): Lower than anticipated retrospective claims received in the month.



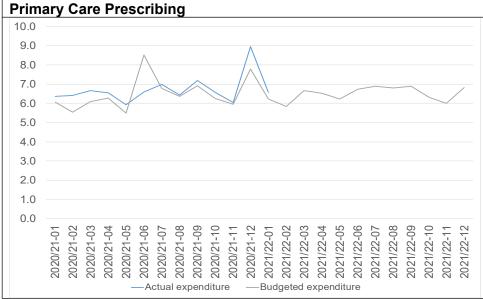
Drug expenditure has decreased in-month by £0.1m, following a reduction in the cost of drugs used in Oncology which is driven by patient acuity.

Subjective Summary



A decrease of £2.1m has been observed compared to March as the March actual included a number of purchases of new and replacement essential Medical equipment. April has now seen a return to a baseline spend position.

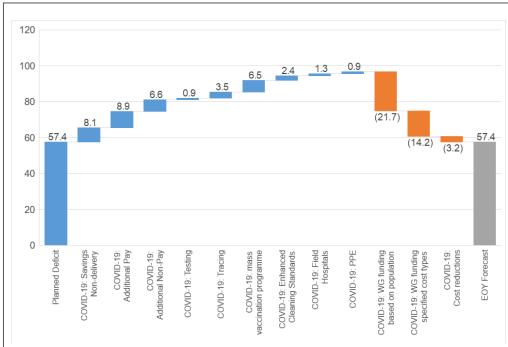
The remaining reduction is primarily related to lower expenditure in PPE and expenditure across a range of Acute services.



Prescribing costs have decreased by £2.2m in month compared to March, as a change in accounting treatment for drug rebates was included YTD in the March total (£1.6m).

April also has two less prescribing days than March and there was a small reduction in the cost per item.

Financial Projection



Key Assumptions

- The direct impact of COVID-19, including programme expenditure in respect of mass vaccination programmes and Tracing, is modelled to a six-month scenario within the current forecast;
- All remaining COVID-19 related WG funding allocations are expected to be fully utilised in future months to offset the impact of COVID-19;
- Existing Services modelling assumes incremental reinstatement of elective services; however, excludes both expenditure and any potential WG funding assumptions at present. Once internal planning discussions are concluded, the projection will be updated.

Assurance

- Improved assurance methods have been established, aligning to managers across the Health Board and the Regional Partnership Board.
- Performance monitored monthly through System Engagement meetings for the highest risk Directorates.
- Following confirmation of COVID-19 sustainability and programme funding from WG, the Health Board is forecasting to deliver the planned deficit of £57.4m. The risk to the in-year delivery is considered to be Low, recognising that the Health Board has limited risk of any significant increase in Workforce expenditure given the restricted supply.

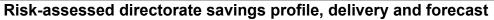
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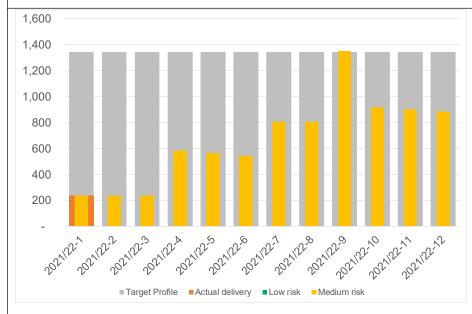
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Next Steps

- Analysis of underlying deficit to be completed.
- Determine revenue impact for FY22 of actions taken in response to COVID-19.
- Conclude internal planning discussions, balancing available resources and strategic responses, undertaking internal governance to dictate the appropriate way forward.

Savings and turnaround actions





Assurance

- The savings requirement is £16.1m, of this £8.1m is mitigated by non-recurrent WG funding in relation to COVID-19 and the identified Amber schemes of £8.1m are assessed as low risk of non-delivery.
- In-month delivery of £0.2m, which is in line with plan.

Concerns

- The unprecedented circumstances mean that operational focus is diverted to the organisation's response to COVID-19, and therefore not on the delivery or identification of the required level or of recurrent savings schemes that are not supportive of the response to the pandemic.
- Discussions are on-going for additional funding to support the non-delivery of the Health Board's brought forward savings target from FY21 on a recurrent basis.

Next Steps

- Further work is being progressed at pace to assess the level of recurrent savings which can be identified and delivered to provide a full-year effect which mitigates the impact of the current level of non-recurrent savings within our forecast. This is to ensure that our underlying deficit does not further deteriorate.
- The Executive Team have received a briefing on the suggested opportunities and service change requirements which would be necessary to undertake to bring the Health Board to financial balance over the medium term. These are currently being considered by the Operational Teams and Executive Colleagues in order to develop plans to address this longstanding issue. We will have further discussions with colleagues from Welsh Government and the Finance Delivery Unit as these plans develop.