

Update on AW Commissioning Older People's Placement Action Plan

April 2023

Ref	Recommendation	Progress	Completion date
R1	North Wales councils and Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board need to ensure the consistent use of pre-placement agreements across the region.	The pre-placement agreement has now been agreed and will be circulated to all providers for signature in May. This will be supported by a number of webinars for inform providers of the PPA and provide them with an opportunity to seek clarification on any aspect of the agreement.	Sept 2022 – amended to September 2023
R2	The current approach for commissioning care home places can cause tensions between partners and result in poor value and poor service user experience. North Wales councils and Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board need to work together to review local arrangements for commissioning care home placements to eliminate avoidable adverse impacts on service users, and each other.	<p>A workshop was held in September 2022 to consider the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) reviewing arrangements for commissioning care home placements to eliminate avoidable adverse impacts on service users, and each other; and also b) how we can develop a regionally agreed care home commissioning strategy and associated delivery plan. <p>It was agreed that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Task and Finish Group to be established to look at improving the discharge to assess process across North Wales and developing a consistent progress between BCUHB and all 6 Local Authorities. 2. Task and Finish Group to further develop the Regional Care Home Commissioning Strategy to identify key regional themes and actions e.g. ensuring we have sufficient Nursing and EMI homes 	Sept 2022 - Completed
R3	Accountability is a cornerstone of public sector decision making. Governance arrangements need to scrutinise decisions and hold decision makers to account. North Wales councils and Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board need to review and strengthen their partnership governance arrangements to ensure proper accountability and effective scrutiny.		Dec 2022 – amended to September 2023

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R4	North Wales councils and Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board through the Regional Commissioning Board need to develop a regionally agreed care home commissioning strategy and associated delivery plan.	A task and finish group has been set up to develop a Regional Commissioning Strategy for Care Home Commissioning	March 2023 – amended to September 2023
R5	North Wales councils and Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board need to review their commissioning arrangements for care home placements to ensure they fulfil their statutory responsibilities around the Welsh language, and the Well-being of Future Generations Act.	This work is on-going through the Mwy Na Geiriau Steering Group and the delivery of the Mwy Na Geiriau Forum Plan 2022-2027. Recruitment of Welsh speaking staff is also a priority for the We Care Wales Campaign.	March 2023 - ongoing