

WALES SCREENING COMMITTEE
14 November 2022
09:00 – 10:30
AGENDA

No.	Item	Owner
1	Welcome, apologies and introductions	Chair
2	Actions and matters arising from the meeting on 19 July 2022	Chair
3	Update on Screening Recovery and Covid-19	<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2
4	Diabetic Eye Screening update	<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2
5	Cervical Screening Campaign update	<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2
6	Bowel Screening Optimisation update	<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2
7	Lung Cancer Screening Project Initiation Document	<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2
8	Child Measurement Programme	<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 8
9	Update from UK NSC – Wednesday 9 November 2022 UK NSC meeting November 2022 - GOV.UK	Chair
10	AOB – Next meeting dates for 2023 UK NSC – TBA WSC - TBA	Chair

Wales Screening Committee Meeting (WSC)
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Via Skype

Members in attendance

<redacted s40(2)> WG Officer (Chair)
<redacted s40(2)> WG Officer 8
<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2
<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 1
<redacted s40(2)> WG Officer 3
<redacted s40(2)> Public Member 2
<redacted s40(2)> ABUHB Officer 4
<redacted s40(2)> C&VUHB Officer 1
<redacted s40(2)> SBUHB Officer 2
<redacted s40(2)> WG Officer 6
<redacted s40(2)> CHC Officer 2
<redacted s40(2)> PTUHB Officer 1
<redacted s40(2)> DESW Member 1
<redacted s40(2)> DESW Member 2
<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 8
<redacted s40(2)> HDUHB Officer 3
<redacted s40(2)> BCUHB Officer 1

1. Welcome, apologies and introductions

Apologies were noted from <redacted s40(2)> WG Officer 1, <redacted s40(2)> CTMUHB Officer 4, <redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 9, <redacted s40(2)> WG Officer 12, <redacted s40(2)> Public Member 1, <redacted s40(2)> ASW Officer 1, <redacted s40(2)> ABUHB Officer 3, <redacted s40(2)> CTMUHB Officer 1, <redacted s40(2)> WG Officer 7 and <redacted s40(2)> HDUHB Officer 2.

The Chair thanked <redacted s40(2)> Public Member 1, who has resigned from the Committee, for all her work as a Public and Patient Voice Representative.

Action 1: Committee to consider the role of the NHS Executive with regards to screening and WSC, send comments to secretariat for consideration of ToR and membership in light of NHS Executive coming onstream.

Action 2: The Committee to send suggestions of a PPV representative to Chair/Secretariat.

2. Minutes and actions from meeting held on 19 July 2022

The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting. All actions were noted as completed, in progress or to be discussed on the agenda.

3. Update on screening recovery and Covid-19

<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2 presented an update on the recovery of BTW, DESW and AAA programmes. BTW mobiles need replacing, all mobiles will have been replaced by hybrid mobiles by March 2023. The programme is screening the same number of women as it was pre-pandemic but the round length between screens remains a risk. The programme is expected to be recovered by April 2025.

DESW currently at 83% capacity and screening 5,000 people per month, prioritising those who have had the longest waits. 1,000 new entrants into programme each month makes recovery more difficult. The new screening venue at Mountain Ash has helped increase capacity and another venue in Cardiff will help further. Paper on changing low risk screening interval on today's agenda.

The AAA programme is expected to recover by March 2023. Those with the longest waits have been given priority and venues are being secured in areas where there are the longest delays to increase capacity.

4. Diabetic Eye Screening Wales

<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2 presented a paper on how the interval change to two years for low-risk participants would be achieved. The interval change was accepted at the last meeting of WSC but further detail on implementation was requested. The Committee agreed for DESW to progress with implementation of the Low Risk Recall Pathway.

Action 3: <redacted s40(2)> CHC Officer 2 and <redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2 to discuss communication strategy.

5. Cervical screening campaign update

<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2 provided an update on the reassurance campaign which had commenced over the summer. The campaign has been well received. PHW has received no further complaints about the interval change since the initial change was made in January. UK Screening colleagues have been very grateful for PHW analysis and sharing of lessons learned.

6. Bowel screening optimisation update

<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2 provided an update on progress in inviting men and women aged 55-57 to take part in the programme from October 2022. The optimisation had gone well with current numbers as expected and uptake good. The programme continues to work closely with NEP on colonoscopy capacity. It is hoped that GP practices endorsing invitations for screening will help improve uptake further, in line with current evidence.

7. Lung cancer screening project initiation document

<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 2 presented a paper on lung cancer screening. The Committee was asked to consider the UK NSC recommendation that a targeted screening programme for lung cancer should be introduced to people aged 55 to 74 identified as being at high risk of lung cancer and work to be taken forward to establish a national targeted lung cancer programme in Wales.

The Committee was asked to support the recommendation that a UK lung task group should be established to help oversee the details of further modelling work and feasibility considerations.

- further refine its recommendations
- address implementation challenges
- determine the optimum protocols and pathway for the implementation of screening across the UK

The Committee agreed to the NSC recommendation in principle and agreed the importance of participation in the UK Feasibility group.

8. Child Measurement Programme

<redacted s40(2)> PHW Officer 8 presented a paper on the Child Measurement Programme (CMP) for the Committee's consideration. It was agreed CMP is not a NSC recommended screening programme but is part of childhood surveillance. Its scope for promoting uptake of other recommended screening programmes, such as school age vision and hearing, were a potential for consideration. Options around a second measurement in Wales and how this could be managed were discussed.

9. Update from UK NSC

The Chair invited members to view published minutes of the last meeting of the UK NSC online.

10.AOB

No business was raised.

11. Date of next meeting - To be arranged.