Pharmacy: Delivering a Healthier Wales (P:DaHW) Delivery Board



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The *Pharmacy: Delivering a Healthier Wales* Delivery Board met on 16th September 2021. The meeting was chaired by Chair Darren Hughes (Director of the Welsh NHS Confederation). The meeting marked the one-year Anniversary since the establishment of the Board.

The main focus of the meeting was to reflect on the achievements as a Board/profession over the past 12months, identify additional support needed to reach the 2022 objectives and consider what our future goals may be.

The Board discussed the progress being made by each of the sub-groups which are aligned to the four themes of Pharmacy Vision. Representatives of each of the sub-groups (Enhancing Patient Experience, Developing the Pharmacy Workforce, Seamless Pharmaceutical Care, Harnessing Innovation and Technology) provided updates considering specifically:

- What has gone well?
- What can we do over the next 12 months to ensure we meet our goals?
- What can the Board do to help?

The Board were pleased to note the huge amount of work that has been carried out over the last 12 months. Significant progress has been made in all four areas which supports the Boards ambition for the profession to meet the goals within Pharmacy: Delivering a Healthier Wales – *challenging the status quo and driving progress*.

Engagement between sub-groups and the promotion of each other's work was acknowledged by all. Chair Darren Hughes shared his appreciation of the commitment of Board members to drive forward change. Members agreed that greater visibility of Pharmacy: Delivering a Healthier Wales will help to keep the agenda at the forefront of the profession and in addition we must seek buy in from other members of Health and Social Care beyond pharmacy.

At the next Board meeting (11th November 2021) the Chair asked that the Board discuss the following as part of its next steps/forward look:

- Re-visiting and setting future interim goals
- Considering future engagement with the wider profession, other Health and Social Care colleagues plus members of the public, to inform these future goals
- · Reflect on the membership of the Delivery Board

The next meeting of the *Pharmacy: Delivering a Healthier Wales* Delivery Board will take place *Thursday 11 November 0930-1100*

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