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The future of local and community HIV services

A Welsh perspective

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Introduction

Defining local and community HIV services:

- HIV prevention and health promotion
- Testing and entry to care where needed
- Ongoing long term condition management

What we do in Wales

Policy

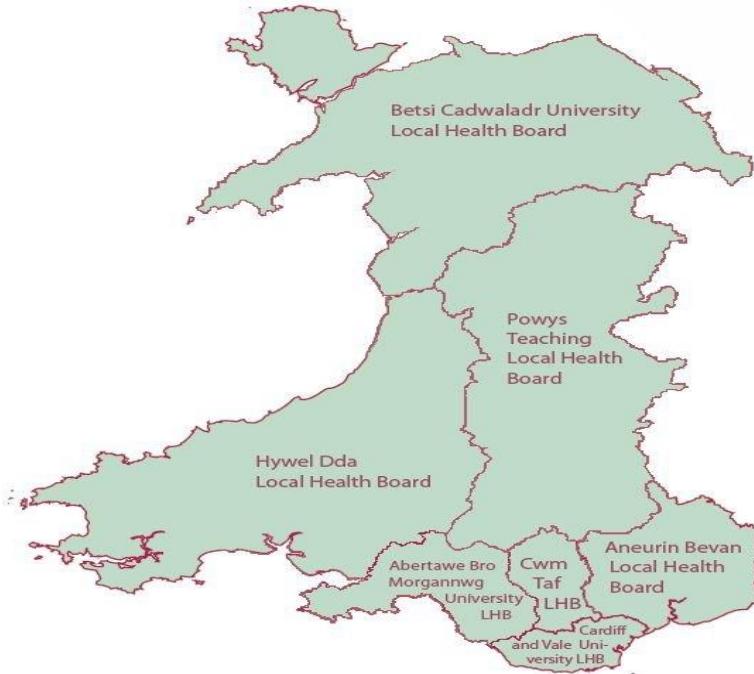
- Political engagement
- Lobbying
- Campaigning
- Influencing policy

Services

- Point of care HIV testing
- Long term condition management including advocacy, advice, counselling, and support
- Health promotion and outreach

The Welsh context

- Current provision and access
- Review of sexual health services
- PrEP three-year study
- Funding for new HIV and sexual health interventions
- Lack of clear HIV and sexual health PHOF indicators
- Lack of joined-up working between public and third sectors
- Social prescribing
- Relationships and Sexuality Education
- Underpinned by principles of Prudent Healthcare



Prudent Healthcare

Key concept: Only do what only you can do

i.e.: no professional should routinely be providing a service that does not require their level of clinical ability or expertise

Principles

- Achieve health and wellbeing with the public, patients and professionals as equal partners through co-production
- Care for those with the greatest health need first, making the most effective use of all skills and resources (my emphasis)
- Do only what is needed, no more, no less; and do no harm
- Reduce inappropriate variation using evidence based practices consistently and transparently.

Next steps

- Full implementation of review recommendations
- Clear accountability at Health Board and Welsh Government level
- Concerns with PrEP study to be addressed
- Recognition of the value of community services provided by third sector

Conclusion

- Potential for expanding community service provision
- Fits with Prudent Healthcare agenda
- Current examples of joint working on ad hoc basis with clinics

But

- Needs sustainable funding
- Arrangements factored in to Health Board service delivery plans