

Dear Colleagues

Llandudno Hospital

As I am sure you are aware that the future of Llandudno Hospital has been the subject of considerable debate over the past few years. In 2007 a Ministerial review of the Hospital was undertaken by an independent consultant (Mr Frank Burns) who produced a report containing fifty recommendations. This report was accepted by the Minister for Health and Social Services as a basis for further analysis and she asked Conwy LHB to undertake this work and produce a service model for the Hospital. That second report recommended that:

'Llandudno Hospital becomes a diagnostic, treatment and rehabilitation centre for both the immediate Llandudno area and for certain services, the four counties of central and western North Wales. The hospital would deliver a range of health care that supports local primary and community services, as well as the acute hospital sites at Bangor and Glan Clwyd. Through this it would be able to play its full part as one of the network of hospitals across North Wales'

The new Betsi Cadwaladr University Local Health Board (BCUHB) has now been asked to proceed and develop plans to implement the recommendations and is establishing the following groups to oversee the process: -

Communications Group

This group will have responsibility for ensuring that there is an open, transparent two way communication system in place between stakeholders and those directly involved in the project.

Stakeholder Reference Group

This group will have a key role in scrutinising, commenting on and contributing to the work of the project teams as their work progresses. The group will act as the 'acceptability barometer' and 'sounding board' for the output of the project teams. It will also serve to provide the Project Board with assurance that the views of stakeholders have been taken into account and have contributed to the work of the project teams.

Six representatives are requested, being a mix of service users, carers and/or members of voluntary organisations.

All meetings of the Stakeholder Reference Group will be held in Venue Cymru and will commence at 9am and last until 3.30/4pm, with lunch provided.

The dates are:

- Wednesday 24th March
- Wednesday 26th May
- Wednesday 28th July

Project Teams

Details of the meetings of each project team will be issued by the respective planning leads for each project team. **One** representative is required for each of the **five** project teams. Again, nominations can be a service user, carer or member of a voluntary organisation. The project teams are for:

- Unscheduled care
- Elective treatment and diagnostics
- Women's Health
- Rehabilitation
- Mental Health

Please also be advised that a briefing session for members of the Stakeholder Reference Group, Communications Group and members of the project teams will be held on Wednesday 10th February from 9am -11.30am in Venue Cymru Llandudno.

If you would like to be a member of either the Stakeholder Group or one of the Project Teams please contact David Scott on 01492 523851 or e-mail davidscott@cvsc.org.uk

Thank you.