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Dear Ms Knight,

Inquest into the death of Summer Rae Mant

Thank you for your Report to Prevent Future Deaths dated 27 February 2026, issued following the inquest into the death of Summer Rae Mant.

The Health Board wishes to express its sincere condolences to Summer's family.

While this case did not involve services provided by Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, we have nonetheless considered the matters raised carefully and have treated the report as an important opportunity for shared learning across our Health Board and NHS Wales.

The Health Board has given detailed consideration to the concerns raised. This has included senior clinical review and direct consideration by our Resuscitation Service, together with discussion with pharmacy and medicines management colleagues and consideration of the wider national position.

We recognise the concern that variation in resuscitation trolley configuration may contribute to delays in accessing critical medicines, particularly in time-critical situations involving staff who are unfamiliar with local arrangements.

By way of context, the Health Board has had standardised cardiac arrest trolleys in place across its acute hospital sites for a number of years, aligned to the Resuscitation Council UK standards for equipment and drug lists. These arrangements are supported through established governance processes, including local resuscitation and medicines management arrangements.

As part of our considerations, we have also taken account of work undertaken at an all-Wales level through the Welsh Resuscitation Forum and associated professional groups. This work has confirmed both the degree of variation that exists across organisations and the practical challenges associated with full standardisation of resuscitation trolleys in different clinical settings.

This work has also highlighted the importance of human factors, including staff familiarity with local equipment, particularly in time-critical events and where staff rotate between organisations.

In North Wales, this consideration is particularly relevant. The Health Board's workforce includes clinicians and trainees rotating not only across Welsh organisations but also through links with both the Bangor and Mersey deaneries. This means that staff may be accustomed to a wider

range of equipment configurations across both Wales and north-west England, and reinforces the importance of local familiarity, induction and clear system design rather than reliance on a single national configuration.

The Health Board's Resuscitation Service has been actively engaged in national discussions and has contributed to consideration of potential approaches to improving consistency, particularly in relation to the availability and location of essential resuscitation drugs.

In response to the concerns raised, the Health Board can confirm the following:

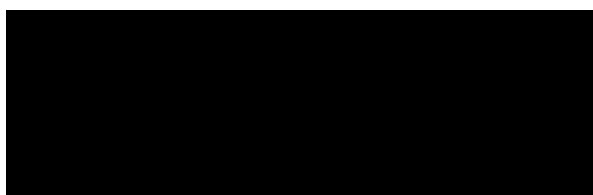
- A standardised approach to resuscitation trolleys and drug provision is in place across our acute sites, aligned to national standards;
- Local arrangements have been reviewed by our Resuscitation Service and relevant clinical leads in light of the issues identified;
- The Health Board is engaged in national work to explore opportunities for greater consistency, particularly in relation to the availability and presentation of core resuscitation drugs;
- The Health Board has recently updated its Resuscitation Policy, which includes strengthened expectations in relation to the checking, stocking and layout of resuscitation equipment; and
- Supporting practical measures are in place to promote staff familiarity with equipment, including visual guidance tools ("My Kit Check") to assist staff in understanding the contents and layout of resuscitation trolleys, alongside local induction, training and checking processes within clinical areas.

In considering further action, the Health Board supports the principle of improving consistency in the availability and location of key resuscitation drugs. However, consistent with the national work undertaken to date, we consider that full standardisation of resuscitation trolley configuration across all settings will be difficult in practice and may not address all of the contributory factors identified particularly given our need to work the NHS in north-west England.

The Health Board will continue to contribute to the national programme of work to identify as evidence-based approach, while maintaining safe and effective local arrangements, with particular focus on supporting staff familiarity and safe access to essential drugs in emergency situations.

We trust this response provides assurance that the concerns identified have been carefully considered and that the Health Board has robust local arrangements, whilst assuring that further action has been taken and is being progressed in collaboration with partners across NHS Wales.

Yours sincerely



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