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**NORTH WALES REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD –**

**Information for Service User Representatives**

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| **1.** | **BACKGROUND** |
| 1.1 | Regional Boards are a legislative requirement under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (Part 9) and the Partnership Arrangements (Wales) Regulations 2015. |
| 1.2 | The regulations set out by Welsh Government establishes the main requirements, purpose and responsibilities of the Regional Partnership Board. |
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| **2.** | **PURPOSE** |
| 2.1 | The Board will provide strategic advice and guidance; be supportive and enabling whilst also constructively challenge, specifically in relation to : |
|  | * Responding to the population assessment in accordance with section 14 of the Act;
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|  | * Implementing the plans for each of the local authority areas covered by the Board under section 14A of the Act;
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|  | * Ensuring the partnership bodies provide sufficient resources for the partnership arrangements in accordance with their powers under section 167 of the Act;
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|  | * Promoting the establishment of pooled funds where appropriate;
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|  | * Ensuring that services and resources are used in the most effective and efficient way to improve outcomes for people in their region;
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|  | * Preparing an annual report for Welsh Ministers on the extent to which the board’s objectives have been achieved;
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|  | * Providing strategic leadership to ensure that information is shared and used effectively to improve the delivery of services, care and support, using technology and common systems to underpin this
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| 2.2 | The Regional Board will prioritise the integration of services in relation to: |
|  | * Older people with complex needs and long term conditions, including dementia;
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|  | * People with learning disabilities;
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|  | * Carers, including young carers;
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|  | * Integrated Family Support Services;
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|  | * Children with complex needs due to disability or illness.
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|  | **SERVICE USER MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITIES** |
|  | Responsibilities include; |
|  | * To provide a Service User perspective to the business of the Regional Partnership Board (RPB)
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|  | * To contribute to discussions that take place during RPB meetings, based on your own experience as a service user
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|  | * To prepare for RPB meetings by reading the agenda and papers in advance and raising any issues for clarification with the Chair or Head of Regional Collaboration
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|  | * To maintain the confidentiality of agenda papers, discussion and decisions made
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|  | * To attend RPB meetings
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|  | * To make sure you understand the priorities and objectives of the RPB and communicate them to others as required
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|  | * To provide a link between the RPB and other service users as required
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|  | **TERM** – Two years |
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|  | **Frequency of meetings –** monthly at present |