

ABPI Cymru Wales – Headlines

- The Welsh Government have published the ministerial responsibilities for the [new Welsh Cabinet](#).
- The second edition of the [NHS Wales Executive](#) stakeholder has been updated.
- Cardiff and Vale University Health Board has reached a significant milestone in introducing a [new clinical digital system](#) for improving the prescribing and administering of medication across its sites.
- A new petition has been submitted to the Welsh Parliament Petitions Committee on access to [ADHD medication](#) for children, with focus on one child.
- The [Primary care antimicrobial guidelines](#) have been updated on the AWTTTC website.
- Future arrangements for the **Digital Medicines Transformation Portfolio** have recently been announced. From April 1, DHCW will take on direct management and responsibility for each of the [four programmes and projects which have formed the Portfolio](#). Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), former medical director and CIO Professor Hamish Laing will step down and return to his role full time at Swansea University. His accountability for the work of the Portfolio will be replaced by Ifan Evans, DHCW's Executive Director of Strategy.
- The [NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee \(JCC\)](#) is a Joint Committee of the seven Health Boards acting collectively on their behalf. The JCC was established in response to the findings of an independent review commissioned by Welsh Government into the national commissioning arrangements undertaken by the Emergency Ambulance Services Committee (EASC), the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (**WHSSC**) and the National Collaborative Commissioning Unit (NCCU). From 1st April 2024, the JCC replaces EASC and WHSSC and will assume

responsibility for the services previously commissioned by these committees and the NCCU, together with the commissioning of NHS 111 Wales services, and the Sexual Assault Referral Centres for Wales.

- Following endorsement by the All Wales Medicines Strategy Group (AWMSG) in February 2024, the [All Wales Policy for Medicines Administration, Recording, Review, Storage and Disposal \(MARRS\)](#) is now available on the AWTTTC website.
- Welsh Government are one year on from the launch of the five-year [Health and Social Care Regional Integration Fund](#). This report reflects on progress made over the last year and highlights priorities and plans for 2023-24.
- Positive Solutions has become the latest pharmacy system supplier to develop and test technology to help deliver an [Electronic Prescription Service \(EPS\)](#) in Wales.
- [Advanced Therapies Wales](#) have opened registration to their Symposium 2024, to be held at the St Fagans National Museum of History, Cardiff on the 15th of May 2024.