

NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee - Accountability Map

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To From	JCC/Committee Chair	Health Boards	Host Body	Welsh Government
Health Boards	Health Board Chief Executives are equal members of the Joint Committee, delegated to act on the behalf of respective Boards.	The JCC is a Joint Committee of the 7 LHBs. Ultimately all 7 LHBs are bound by the decisions taken by the JCC, in-line with the powers delegated to it from the 7 LHBs or as directed by the Minister for Health and Social Services. The JCC is accountable to Health Boards via respective CEOs as set out below.		As a Joint Committee of Health Boards, each of the 7 LHB's ultimately remain accountable to Welsh Government for planning, securing and delivering health services to their respective populations.

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Joint Committee		The Joint Committee will report to the individual LHBs on its activities. It is formally accountable to the individual LHBs, via the respective CEO as a JCC Member and a LHB Board Member, in respect of its role carried out on the LHB's behalf.		The Joint Committee may form part of the NHS performance management system, via the Chief Commissioner, as determined by Welsh Government. Ultimately, the 7 LHBs remain accountable for the performance of those

				activities delivered via the JCC on their behalf. The individual accountability of the Committee Chair is set out below.
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Committee Chair		As a Joint Committee of LHBs, the Committee Chair will have a bi-lateral relationship with each of the Chairs of the 7 LHBs, in respect of the JCC's role carried out on their behalf and to ensure that the JCC's governance framework remains appropriate to the overarching governance framework of the 7 LHBs.	The Committee Chair will have a relationship with the Host Body's CEO given their respective accountability arrangements with regard to the Chief Commissioner (Tier 1 Director) (as described further below under Chief Commissioner arrangements and set out within the Hosting Agreement). The arrangements to support the relationship between the Chair and the Host Body CEO are further detailed in the Hosting Agreement.	The Committee Chair is accountable to the Minister for Health and Social Services in respect of their performance as Chair of the JCC, upholding the values of the NHS and promoting the confidence of the public and partners. The Minister for Health and Social Services undertakes a performance appraisal of the Committee Chair and sets objectives accordingly.

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Lay Members	On a day-to-day basis, Lay Members are responsible to the Committee Chair for discharging their roles as Lay Members of the JCC (and any subsequent sub-Committee). The Committee Chair will undertake performance appraisals of Lay Members on behalf of the Minister for Health and Social Services.			The Committee Lay Members are appointed by, and are accountable to, the Minister for Health and Social Services in respect of their performance as Lay Members of the JCC, upholding the values of the NHS and promoting the confidence of the public and partners.		

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Chief Commissioner (Tier 1 Director)	The Chief Commissioner is accountable to the Committee Chair in relation to discharging the role and functions delegated by the Joint Committee, on behalf of the 7 LHBs, to the Commissioning Team for the planning, securing and commissioning of the relevant services. In respect of personal performance this will include an annual performance review undertaken by the Committee Chair. This will take into account those functions delegated from the host, as set out within the Hosting Agreement, and will therefore be informed by the Chief Executive of the Host Body. Feedback from other Joint Committee members will also be sought in informing the appraisal of the Chief Commissioner.	As a Joint Committee of LHBs, the Chief Commissioner will have a relationship with the Chief Executive Officers and Executive Teams of the 7 LHBs, in respect of the role and functions delegated to the Commissioning Team by the Joint Committee, on behalf of the 7 LHBs.	As an employee of the Host Body, the Chief Commissioner will be accountable to the Chief Executive of the Host LHB (CTMUHB) in respect of the responsibilities delegated to the Chief Commissioner set out within the Hosting Agreement. In this regard, the Host Body CEO will inform the annual performance review of the Chief Commissioner, undertaken by the Committee Chair. As the employer, the Host Body is responsible for the Terms of Conditions and employment matters associated with the Chief Commissioner, informed by the Committee Chair. The governance and issues relating to the hosting of the JCC will be incorporated into the standard business of the existing Host Body's Audit Committee. The assurance for the governance and issues relating to the hosting of the JCC will be to the Host Body's Board. Issues relating to the functions of the JCC delegated from the 7 LHBs will be fed into a separate Host Body Audit Committee for the JCC specifically, operating within its own work cycle as required. The	The Chief Commissioner will hold Accountable Officer status for certain elements of their role, namely the propriety and regularity for public finances delegated to them by the Health Boards, and will be accountable to the Director General/NHS Wales Chief Executive in this regard. Further detail on this accountability relationship will be set out in an Accountable Officer Memorandum and an Interface Agreement between the Chief Commissioner and the Chief Executive of the Host Body. The Chief Commissioner will have a relationship with Welsh Government officials, with regard to informing and discharging policies relating to the resources and functions delegated to the JCC. The Chief Commissioner and Officers of the JCC Team may seek advice where matters present a conflict with the Host Body as a provider of services commissioned by the JCC. Detail on the handling of	

	assurance for this will be to the 7LHBs.	conflicts between the Chief Commissioner and the JCC Team are further described within the Hosting Agreement.

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Tier 2	Tier 2 roles will have a relationship with the JCC Chair and the wider Committee, recognising the professional advice that these roles will provide. Tier 2 roles will be accountable to the Chief Commissioner (Tier 1 Director) for their performance as an employee of the Host Body and a member of the JCC Commissioning Team.	As a Joint Committee of LHBs, Tier 2 roles will have a relationship with the Executive Teams of the 7 LHBs, in respect of the role and functions delegated to the Commissioning Team by the Joint Committee, on behalf of the 7 LHBs.	Tier 2 roles will be accountable to the Chief Commissioner (Tier 1 Director) for their performance as an employee of the Host Body and a member of the JCC Commissioning Team. Where Tier 2 roles have regulated professional accountabilities, these roles will be professionally accountable to the appropriate member of the Executive Team of the Host Body (CTMUHB) and will be explicitly set out within the Hosting Agreement.	The Chief Commissioner and Officers of the JCC Team may seek advice from Welsh Government where matters present a conflict with the Host Body as a provider of services commissioned by the JCC. Detail on the handling of conflicts between the Chief Commissioner and the JCC Team are further described within the Hosting Agreement. Tier 2 Officers will have a relationship with Welsh Government officials with regard to informing and discharging policies relating to the resources and functions delegated to the JCC.

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Committee Secretary	The Committee Secretary is accountable to the JCC Chair for all matters in relation to the responsibilities delegated in respect of the JCC's Governance	As a Joint Committee of LHBs, the Committee Secretary will have a relationship with the Directors of Corporate Governance of each of the 7	As an employee of the Host Body (CTMUHB), the Committee Secretary will have a relationship with the Director of Corporate Governance of the Host Body	The Committee Secretary will have a relationship with the Head of NHS Governance within Welsh Government, as a

Framework, within the context of the overarching Governance Framework of the 7 LHBs. The Committee Secretary is accountable to the Chief Commissioner (Tier 1 Director) for their performance as an employee of the Host Body and a member of the JCC Commissioning Team.	LHBs, in respect of the overarching governance framework of the 7 LHBs.	(CTMUHB) with regard to the governance of those functions delegated to the JCC Team via the Hosting Agreement.	Senior Governance Professional within NHS Wales.

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Host Body	The Chief Executive of the Host Body for those elements set out within the Hosting Agreement will ensure the Chief Commissioner is discharging their responsibilities as an employee of the host body. The Host Body CEO and Chair with have a relationship with the JCC Chair relating to the Hosting Agreement, particularly in relation to any disputes between the JCC Team and the Host Body. The dispute process in respect of these arrangements is set out within the Hosting Agreement in further detail, with an expectation that disputes are resolved locally as far as possible prior to any escalation to the Minister for Health and Social Services for arbitration.	The Host Body will enter into an agreement with 6 other LHBs for the delivery of the Hosting Agreement to support the effective functioning of the JCC on their behalf. The 6 LHBs will have a relationship with the Host Body CEO and Chair relating to the Hosting Agreement, particularly in relation to any disputes between the JCC Team and the Host Body. The dispute process in respect of these arrangements is set out within the Hosting Agreement in further detail, with an expectation that disputes are resolved locally as far as possible prior to any escalation to the Minister for Health and Social Services for arbitration.	The Host Body's CEO will be responsible to the Board of the Host Body for the effective delivery of the Hosting Agreement. The Chair of the Host Body will have a relationship with the JCC Chair and the 6 LHB CEOs, relating to the Hosting Agreement, particularly in relation to any disputes between the JCC Team and the Host Body. The dispute process in respect of these arrangements is set out within the Hosting Agreement in further detail, with an expectation that disputes are resolved locally as far as possible prior to any escalation to the Minister for Health and Social Services for arbitration.	CTMUHB is appointed as Host Body for the JCC under Ministerial Direction, ultimately CTMUHB is therefore accountable to the Minister for Health and Social Services for the effective delivery of the Hosting Agreement. The dispute process in respect of these arrangements is set out within the Hosting Agreement in further detail, with an expectation that disputes are resolved locally as far as possible prior to any escalation to the Minister for Health and Social Services for arbitration.