**Community Nursing Research Strategy for Wales**

**Notes of Board Meting held on the 6th July 2016, 11:00-13:00 at University of South Wales, Aneurin Bevan Building, Room AB115, Lower Glyn Taf Campus, Pontypridd CF37 4DB.**

**Draft: Approved at Board meeting held 05/10/2016**

1. **Present**: Sue Jordan (Swansea Uni), Joyce Kenkre (Chair CNRS/USW/PRIME Centre Wales), Maggie Kirk (USW), Louise Lidbury (RCN Wales), Greg McKenzie (Cwm Taf), Lynsey Peddle (Cardiff Flying Start), Sherrill Snelgrove (Swansea Uni), Carolyn Wallace (USW/PRIME Centre Wales), Angela Watkins (Minutes/PRIME Centre Wales)

**Teleconference:** Adrian Jones (BC UHB), Marie Lewis (Powys THB)

**Apologies:** Sue Bale (Aneurin Bevan UHB), Rhiannon Beaumont-Wood (PHW), Sian Bolton (PHW), Judith Carrier (CU), Jane Imperato (Cardiff Flying Start), Neil James (USW), Paul Labourne (Powys tHB), Ruth Northway (USW), Katrina Rowlands (Powys tHB), Michelle Thomas (USW), Sue Thomas (USW), Caroline Williams (Hywel Dda)

1. **Notes of the last meeting**The notes of the last meeting taken 13th April 2016 were reviewed, no corrections required.
2. **Matters Arising**
   1. **Developing principles for community nursing**
      1. Discussion held around what research projects the group can consider developing to address the changing roles in the movement of services from secondary to primary care.
   2. **PRIME Centre Wales: Social Care Research Strategy:******
      1. The PRIME Social Care Research Strategy has been developed through formal consensus process with members of organisations across sectors a strategy for research for Social Care. The strategy fits within the Welsh Government policy context (The Social Services and Wellbeing Act, April 2016).
      2. Further information of the consensus meeting can be found at: <http://www.primecentre.wales/social-care-consensus-meeting.php>
      3. The draft has been shared at the Health & Care Research Wales Social Care Research Workshop for Infrastructure Groups held 1st July 2016.
      4. A more detailed draft will be developed outlining action plan for taking forward.
   3. **PRIME Centre Wales Long Term Conditions Research Strategy:******
      1. The PRIME Long Term Conditions Research Strategy has been developed through formal consensus process with members of organisations across sectors a strategy for research in long term conditions.
      2. Further information of the consensus meeting can be found at: http://www.primecentre.wales/ltc-consensus-meeting.php
      3. The draft has been shared at the PRIME Centre Wales Executive Board meeting held 04/07/2016.
      4. A more detailed draft will be developed outlining action plan for taking forward.
   4. **PRIME Centre Wales Annual Report 2015-16, tabled:**

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* + 1. The Community Nursing Research Strategy Board is supported by PRIME Centre Wales, part of the Health and Care Research Wales funded infrastructure. PRIME’s first annual report was recently submitted – the public facing Annual Report Narrative and Forward Looking Impact Statement documents (tabled) provide a description of the work completed in the first year, and the work planned for future impact. The reports have recently been reviewed at the [PRIME Executive Management Board](http://www.primecentre.wales/executive-management-committee.php) meeting held 4th July, and the [External Advisory Board](http://www.primecentre.wales/advisory-board.php) held 24th June. The feedback was positive and a further meeting will be held with the External Advisory Board (comprising of international research peers in the field) to discuss possible international collaboration opportunities.
  1. **Funding Opportunities**
     1. Relevant funding opportunities are regularly posted to the PRIME website, and circulated to the network.
     2. RCBC have also opened the ‘First into Research’ call: <http://www.rcbcwales.org.uk/apply-now/open-first-into-research-fellowships/>
     3. Health Technology Exemplars: The Welsh Government, in partnership with the Bevan Commission’s Bevan Exemplars programme, is issuing a call to NHS Wales staff to apply to become Health Technology Exemplars. The Health Technology Exemplars programme will provide funding and support for NHS Wales staff to work in partnership with industry to implement an innovative health technology (non drug) in their clinical area, with the aim of improving NHS Wales ways of working, solving health problems and improving health outcomes. Deadline for applications: 22 August. <http://www.healthandcareresearch.gov.wales/news/health-technology-exemplars-call-for-applications/>

1. **Report on Coordinator activity this quarter (Carolyn Wallace)******
   1. Network
      1. Master class delivered in Hywel Dda University Health Board.  
         Presentations in Swansea University, Public Health Wales (nursing research group).
      2. Two graduate students successful for interview to work with Prof. Ken Jones on his COPD study.
      3. Conference stall and attendance- ABHB R&D conference June 2016, CNO conference presentation FRAIT.
      4. Merthyr College- Master class and development of research study outline with staff.
   2. Research
      1. PhD by Portfolio- Paul Labourne to submitted proposal to enrol October 2016.  
         Angela Caswell Director of Nursing (Middle East) working towards proposal submission October 2016.
      2. KESS 2 MRES (possible PhD) Studentship application success completed with Calan DVS to commence October 2016- gone to advert (European funding).
      3. Continued supervision Mary Grace (Malta), Sue Thomas; Lynette Thacker (MSc Palliative Care, Cardiff), Freya Davies (PhD, Cardiff)
      4. Patient safety discussions with Dr Andy Carson-Stevens.
      5. CW- USW agreed to fund Realistic Review and Evaluation training at Oxford University Autumn 2016.
      6. HCRW research training days x2, GCP refresher training booked. USW media training, research supervision training.
      7. Member HCRW- All Wales Prioritisation meeting
   3. Application to Portfolio
      1. AMD study- advice to apply for inclusion on HCRW portfolio
   4. Leadership
      1. Strategy launch- Long Term Conditions & Social Care
      2. CNRS themes, Sue Jordan
      3. Development of Community Health and Care Cognate Group, its strategy and capacity building, USW.
      4. RCN symposium CNRS 5 papers to present in November 2016.
   5. Current bids and studies (see full list in coordinator’s report).
2. **CNRS updates**
   1. CNRS Portfolio Studies
      1. Noted: JK asked the Board to consider how the group can ‘work smart’ in collaborative working on research proposals, as well as look to get active studies adopted to the Health and Care Research Wales Research Portfolio and access the affiliated support.
   2. Developing Industry research
      1. See 3.e.iii for Welsh Government and Bevan Commission call 2016.
3. **Future projects or collaborations**
   1. JK/CW has met with UK TI looking at future initiatives for use on primary care in South East Asia (including China, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore) – a region with a significantly growing older population. Opportunities for collaboration – multidisciplinary teams required to tackle health problems.
   2. JK is meeting with Adrian Jones to discuss potential PhD studentship to progress project proposal on monitoring cortisol levels in staff to measure stress.
   3. Monitoring levels of lithium in the community – led by Biovici (a large cost to NHS insurance policy is side effects of lithium)
4. **CNRS Research themes and leads:**
   1. Proposed themes from the Community Nursing for Wales Research Strategy: <http://www.primecentre.wales/cnrs-research.php>
   2. Volunteers for leads needed in each of the themes to help drive forward research:
      1. Organisational change and service redesign – Louise Lidbury
      2. Nursing roles
      3. Skill mix – Paul Labourne & Adrian Jones (JK to confirm with PL)
      4. Evidence and outcomes – Judith Carrier
      5. Education and development
      6. Long-term care – Sherrill Snelgrove
      7. Occupational health
      8. Patient safety – Sue Jordan (medicines focus, possible to link in with infection control)
      9. Patient and user perspectives
   3. Noted: It makes sense to link the themes to Board/Network members already active on the respective area.
5. **Next CNRS Conference** 
   1. The next CNRS conference is now likely to be held in 2017. Initial meeting has been held but not progressed yet – a key role will be for someone to lead the planning.
   2. Conference planning team members volunteered to date: Sian Bolton (PHW), Judith Carrier (CU), Paul Labourne (WG), Marie Lewis (Powys THB), Greg McKenzie (Cwm Taf), Caroline Williams (Hywel Dda).
6. **AOB**
   1. The Board expressed best wishes for Neil James as he moved from USW to take up a post in England.
7. **Date of next meeting:**
   1. Wednesday 5th October 2016, 11-1

Venue: University of South Wales, Aneurin Bevan Building, Room AB115, Lower Glyn Taf Campus.  
Directions: <http://findaroom.southwales.ac.uk/rooms/gtab115>