

**Policy Forum for Wales keynote seminar:
Next steps for healthcare in Wales**
Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 25th March 2025
Taking place online



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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Jenny Rathbone MS
- 9.05 **Healthcare in Wales - current challenges and policy priorities going forward**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Delivering on A Healthier Wales - cutting waiting times, improving service delivery, addressing workforce challenges, and working towards a preventive model of care**
challenges and priorities for implementing A Healthier Wales | recovering and resetting the planned care backlog | improving patient access | implementing the Strategic Workforce Plan for Primary Care | strategic next steps for delivering a preventive model of care | priorities for early intervention, public health, and community-based care
Professor Tracy Daszkiewicz, Executive Director, Public Health and Strategic Partnerships, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
Alyson Thomas, Chief Executive, Llais Cymru
Dr Robert Royce, Research Fellow, Swansea University
Senior representative, primary care
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 **Driving improvements to the quality and safety of healthcare in Wales**
Dr Alun Jones, Chief Executive, Health Inspectorate Wales
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**
Jenny Rathbone MS
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 11.00 **The future for health workforce development and sustainability in Wales**
Helen Whyley, Director, Royal College of Nursing
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.20 **Strategies for addressing disparities in health access and outcomes - community-based care, integrating health services, and championing patient views**
responding to the Bevan Commission Evidence Review's findings on inequalities in Welsh healthcare | championing patient choice | ensuring staff and patient views are heard | tackling poor health outcomes among vulnerable groups | taking a person-centred approach | enabling partnership-working and priorities for planning and commissioning
Dr Jonny Currie, GP and Honorary Clinical Research Fellow, Ringland Surgery
Dr Mariana Dyakova, Consultant, Public Health Wales
Senior representative, health board
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.55 **Priorities for digital transformation - expanding digital health records, using data, and increasing productivity**
optimising the use of digital health records | aligning digital infrastructure and priorities for adopting innovation | AI, machine learning, genomics and data analytics | the role of the NHS Wales App in enabling patients to manage health needs | priorities for new diagnostic technology | new technologies for at-home care | data security and privacy
Senior representative, health board
Senior representative, innovation
Senior representative, data
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Next steps for digital healthcare transformation in Wales**
Helen Thomas, Chief Executive, Digital Health and Care Wales
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
Sean Cudmore, Policy Forum for Wales