



Gwasanaeth Casglu a Throsglwyddo Meddygol Brys

Emergency Medical Retrieval & Transfer Service

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#### **Presentation Overview**

- WAA Five-Year Strategy Objectives
- EMRTS Strategy and Commissioning
- Unmet Need
- Demand and Capacity Deep Dive Summary
- Optima Modelling



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#### **New WAA Mission and Vision**

#### Mission

To deliver lifesaving, advanced medical care to people across Wales, whenever and wherever they need it.

#### Vision

To improve the lives of patients and their families by being a world leader in advanced, time-critical care.



# WAA five-year strategy objectives informing this work

To enable the delivery of 24/7 emergency department standard care, in a pre-hospital environment to the people of Wales, wherever and whenever it is needed.

To ensure that the service is delivered in the most cost effective manner, maximising the impact of our funds across the whole of Wales.

Proactively seek out opportunities to improve patient care and outcomes.

To repay the trust that the people of Wales have placed in us by adopting the highest ethical standards, embedding sustainability and value for money in all that we do.

To recognise the unique relationship that we have with the people of Wales, celebrating our national identity and ensuring our activities are inclusive and reflect the needs of all the different communities that we serve.



#### Our drivers and our joint objectives

#### **Joint Outcome**

To determine the optimal operational configuration and physical footprint for our lifesaving services that brings greatest benefit to all the people of Wales







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#### **EMRTS Strategy and Commissioning**



#### 1.3 Case For Change

- 1.3.1 Key strategic drivers for the expansion of the EMRTS are described along with details of how the project both aligns with and enables them. Key drivers are to address:
  - unmet critical care need in the target population in uncovered and existing operating hours.
  - the critical care and time critical transfer needs created by key service changes such as the development and requirements of the major trauma network and other national and regional planning initiatives.





### Strategy





**Emergency Ambulance Services Committee – Emergency Medical Retrieval and Transfer Service Commissioning Intentions 2022-23** 

#### **Service Benefits**

Equity of access to emergency care across Wales



Improved patient outcomes



Enhanced clinical skills across NHS Wales



Downstream benefits for other NHS services



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# Quality attributes of services for people who are critically ill in Wales

- Equitable
- Safe
- Effective
- Efficient
- Person centred
- Timely

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# Care of the critically ill: quality statement

What we are doing to improve care for people who are critically ill.

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#### EMRTS Commissioning Intentions 2022-23



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EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI1: Service Expansion

EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI2: Adult Critical Care Transfer Service (ACCTS)

EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI3: Service Evaluation

EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI4: System Transformation

#### **EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI1: Service Expansion**

Cl1a Enhanced CCP-led response – Building on the findings of recent winter initiatives and demand and capacity planning undertaken within the service, support the implementation of an enhanced daytime response that will ensure more effective use of resources, improve service quality and the patient experience and provide opportunities for workforce development.

Cl1b Planning – Build on the implementation and consolidation of Phase 1 of the EMRTS Service Expansion project, working collaboratively with commissioners to plan the implementation of the remaining phases of the EMRTS Service Expansion programme. EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI2: Adult Critical Care Transfer Service (ACCTS)

- CI2a Service Delivery The ACCTS team will continue to manage ongoing service delivery and will ensure robust performance management with a focus on outcomes, value, quality and safety of service delivery.
- Cl2b Engagement Building on established relationships, continue to engage with all stakeholders to review and strengthen the service model(s) implemented to maximise the clinical outcomes, value, quality and safety of service delivery.
- CI2c Evaluation and Review Undertake evaluation and review relating to the implementation of the ACCTS, reporting on lessons learned, service activity and providing the required assurance regarding the realisation of anticipated outcomes and benefits going forward.

## **EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI3: Service Evaluation**

CI3a Improvement Plan – Develop and implement an improvement plan in response to the EMRTS Service Evaluation Report.

#### **EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI4: System Transformation**

Cl4a Demand and Capacity Strategy – To continue with the work on a collaboratively developed demand and capacity strategy will set out the ongoing arrangements for proactively undertaking this work for the next decade, this will include the use of forecasting, modelling and health economic evaluations.

#### Work to date



→ Strategic Review & Optima Modelling



### Headlines

- Under Utilisation
- Unmet need
  - Geographic
  - Overnight
  - Hours of darkness
- Analysis and modelling to date
  - Extended hours
  - Optimise location
  - Road vs Air

# Current Service

Activity





#### **Current 4-year average actual activity**

WAA BASE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
WAA Caernarfon (North)	45	37	41	47	55	51	48	56	45	40	37	35	535
Rapid Response Vehicle	18	11	8	8	6	6	7	8	7	10	13	13	111
Air Ambulance	27	27	34	40	51	46	42	50	39	31	24	24	433
WAA Welshpool (Mid-Wales)	44	40	53	52	58	54	66	62	57	47	44	40	616
Rapid Response Vehicle	13	10	14	8	6	6	6	5	9	10	13	16	110
Air Ambulance	33	32	41	45	53	50	63	59	51	38	31	26	521
WAA Cardiff (South East)	83	88	87	77	88	77	82	83	82	74	73	96	989
Air Ambulance	15	17	19	26	27	24	25	24	22	18	16	15	248
Rapid Response Vehicle	69	72	69	53	63	55	58	61	61	58	58	81	757
WAA Dafen (South)	107	94	100	90	108	98	113	110	104	100	100	99	1,221
Rapid Response Vehicle	65	49	43	19	23	25	29	34	30	37	47	60	459
Air Ambulance	44	46	61	73	88	76	87	81	77	68	56	42	798
Total	261	244	265	246	283	262	285	286	269	242	237	251	3,128

• Caernarfon + Welshpool = 968

#### Utilisation of current resource 4-year average actual activity

WAA BASE	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Winter
🗄 WAA Caernarfon (North)	1.3	1.6	1.7	1.3
WAA Cardiff (South East)	2.5	2.8	2.7	3.0
🗄 WAA Dafen (South)	3.4	3.3	3.6	3.3
	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.4

Ave utilization by medical team

WAA BASE	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Winter
WAA Caernarfon (North)				
Air Ambulance	1.0	1.4	1.5	0.9
Rapid Response Vehicle	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.5
WAA Cardiff (South East)				
Air Ambulance	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.5
Rapid Response Vehicle	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.5
WAA Dafen (South)				
Air Ambulance	2.2	2.5	2.7	1.5
Rapid Response Vehicle	1.3	0.9	1.0	1.9
WAA Welshpool (Mid-Wales)				
Air Ambulance	1.3	1.5	1.9	1.0
Rapid Response Vehicle	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4

Ave utilization by response mode

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\* NB – average utilization at Cardiff ( aircraft) affected by ring fencing of HM67 for transfers

#### **Utilisation of current resource – 2021**

Base	Day Shift	Night Shift	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Winter
WAA Cardiff (South East)	-	37%	41%	35%	41%	32%
WAA Dafen (South)	54%	-	56%	55%	56%	50%
WAA Welshpool (Mid-Wales)	27%	-	27%	33%	33%	17%
WAA Caernarfon (North)	21%	-	18%	21%	31%	16%

Actual utilization by Shift, based on minutes from allocation to clear, and assuming 12 hour shift. Will under estimate



#### Pan-Wales overall unmet need – 2-year average







#### All Wales Current Demand

						1	Mont	h					
Hour	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
0	11	9	7	15	17	11	14	9	10	19	9	12	143
1	8	14	7	14	11	- 14	9	12	14	14	6	9	132
2	4	7	4	4	8	5	4	12	9	10	11	7	85
3	6	5	6	7	10	2	10	8	1	12	6	6	79
4	4	4	7	7	9	6	3	7	- 4	5	- 4	13	73
5	8	4	5	4	2	9	- 4	6	10	2	5	7	66
6	6	4	7	3	6	4	8	8	6	1	11	4	68
7	14	16	13	8	13	10	13	11	10	10	9	7	134
8	17	10	10	15	22	13	19	10	17	12	13	6	164
9	21	13	12	17	15	15	19	13	21	19	15	18	198
10	13	15	19	25	17	21	17	27	29	19	21	25	248
11	29	25	24	- 30	24	18	26	25	35	22	22	22	302
12	16	19	29	24	37	- 34	- 30	21	37	25	25	22	319
13	20	17	20	20	18	16	24	31	13	25	23	27	254
14	21	17	19	- 30	22	23	- 24	- 34	32	26	15	22	285
15	25	19	22	30	21	25	22	21	27	- 33	28	25	298
16	22	13	- 24	27	25	26	24	18	29	19	24	22	273
17	23	24	20	22	20	23	- 24	18	27	21	15	23	260
18	12	18	16	24	21	21	22	15	26	13	14	12	214
19	15	20	16	14	23	26	- 24	21	18	16	17	11	221
20	21	11	16	16	22	31	- 34	24	15	16	20	14	240
21	13	14	11	17	14	28	29	15	17	20	25	12	215
22	7	11	19	23	15	18	14	25	22	16	15	14	199
23	14	11	12	18	22	28	14	15	17	16	13	17	197
Total	350	320	345	414	414	427	431	406	446	391	366	357	4667



#### Betsi Cadwaladr Current Demand



	Month												
Hour	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
0	1		1	4	1	4		2	1	4	3	1	22
1	1	4		2	1	5	2	3	4	3	3	2	30
2	1	1				1		2		1	1		7
3	1			1	3		2	1		1	2	1	12
4	1				2	2		2		2		1	10
5	2	1	1	1			2	1	2	1		1	12
6	3		2		1		1	2	2		2		13
7	4	4	2	1	3	3	3	3	1	2			26
8	5	3	3	2	8	2	4	4	5	2	2	1	41
9	3	1	4	4	6	1	7	2	3	4	4	7	46
10	4	3	2	7	3	2	5	5	6	7	2	7	53
11	6	5	3	4	4	5	3	6	9	2	5	2	54
12	1	2	7	7	6	11	10	6	9	6	4	4	73
13	4	3	3	5	3	4	7	10	4	8	10	4	65
14	5	3	4	9	8	9	7	14	5	5	5	5	79
15	6	3	1	7	5	8	9	7	7	8	9	7	77
16	5	2	5	7	10	7	7	1	12	6	8	6	76
17	3	4	1	3	8	10	6	4	3	7	3	10	62
18	4	4	5	5	6	4	6	2	5	4	2	2	49
19	2	4	1	2	8	6	4	3	1	4	1	2	38
20	2	1	5	4	4	4	4	8	5	1	2	2	42
21	2	2	2	3	3	5	4	6	5	5	4	3	44
22		1	2	5		2	2	5	4	2	2	3	28
23	1	5	1	4	3	2	4	5	1	1	1	4	32
Total	67	56	55	87	96	97	99	104	94	86	75	75	991

#### Betsi Cadwaladr







204 Attended

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#### Unmet need







#### **Current pattern of aircraft deployment**



Nb. Density relative to volume of each asset









### **Road population coverage**

Scenario	30 mins	%	60 mins	%	90 mins	%
Glan Clwyd,	2136070	69%	2892550	93%	3087190	99%
Cardiff, Dafen						
Caernarfon, Dafen,	1915320	62%	2600620	84%	3059750	98%
Cardiff						
Caernarfon	106064	3%	354833	11%	731599	24%
Glan Clwyd	326813	10%	646759	21%	733470	24%
Cardiff	1217530	39%	2023200	65%	2145440	69%
Dafen	603183	19%	2087130	67%	2353720	76%
Welshpool	51948	2%	162614	5%	869642	28%

## What are we achieving?

Time Period	Attended	n unmet	met %
Day Shift	2549	452	85% 🔵
Night Shift	923	879	51% 🔵
Total	3472	1331	72%

1 Percent			THE PARTY OF
0	76	75	50% 🔵
1	58	80	42% 🔵
2	54	36	60% 🔵
3	44	42	51% 🔵
4	42	33	56% 🔵
5	39	30	57% 🔵
6	46	24	66% 🔵
7	107	27	80% 🔵
8	148	19	89% 🔵
9	170	36	83% 🔵
10	229	20	92% 🔵
11	264	40	87% 🔵
12	294	35	89% 🔵
13	224	33	87% 🔵
14	244	47	84% 🔵
15	262	44	86% 🔵
16	225	50	82% 🔵
17	208	58	78% 🔵
18	174	43	80% 🔵
19	152	80	66% 🔵
20	114	139	45% 🔵
21	95	127	43% 🔵
22	108	105	51% 🔵
23	95	108	47% 🔵
Total	3472	1331	72%

Hour Attended number met %

#### Shift & area met need %

Time Period	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Day Shift	78%	83%	91%	84%	88%	85%	82%	85%	87%	93%	94%	85%	86%
. Mid	81% 🔵	80% 🔵	100% 🔵	96% 🔵	89% 🔵	85% 🔵	94% 🔵	81% 🔵	86% 🔵	100% 🔵	80% 🔵	90% 🔵	89%
North	77% 🔵	88% 🔵	93% 🔵	86% 🔵	92% 🔵	82% 🔵	88% 🔵	89% 🔵	84% 🔵	92% 🔵	100% 🔵	86% 🔵	88%
South East	78% 🔵	85% 🔵	90% 🔵	80% 🔵	87% 🔵	89% 🔵	78% 🔵	82% 🔵	89% 🔵	93% 🔵	91% 🔵	83% 🔵	86%
<ul> <li>South West</li> </ul>	78% 🔵	74% 🔵	88% 🔵	83% 🔵	83% 🔵	82% 🔵	78% 🔵	84% 🔵	85% 🔵	90% 🔵	94% 🔵	87% 🔵	84%
Night Shift	63%	57%	54%	52%	54%	47%	51%	46%	52%	55%	56%	60%	54%
. Mid ⊡	33% 🔵		25% 🔵	33% 🔵	43% 🔵	50% 🔵		14% 🔵	63% 🔵	60% 🔵	33% 🔴	33% 🔴	35%
North	33% 🔵	18% 🔵	27% 🔵	24% 🔵	35% 🔵	22% 🔵	27% 🔵	21% 🔵	10% 🔵	19% 🔵	13% 🔵	13% 🔵	22%
South East	75% 🔵	74% 🔵	64% 🔵	63% 🔵	63% 🔵	55% 🔵	62% 🔵	58% 🔵	68% 🔵	68% 🔵	71% 🔵	72% 🔵	65%
<ul> <li>South West</li> </ul>	59% 🔵	44% 🔵	46% 🔵	47% 🔵	53% 🔵	48% 🔵	53% 🔵	58% 🔵	48% 🔵	50% 🔵	48% 🔵	74% 🔵	53%
Total	73%	74%	78%	73%	75%	68%	70%	69%	76%	78%	79%	76%	74%

# **Optima Data Analysis**



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# Optima

Workplan

**EMRTS Commissioning Intention – CI4: System Transformation** 

Cl4a Demand and Capacity Strategy – To continue with the work on a collaboratively developed demand and capacity strategy will set out the ongoing arrangements for proactively undertaking this work for the next decade, this will include the use of forecasting, modelling and health economic evaluations.

## **Optima tuning**

- Using WAST base model
- Adjustments for EMRTS RRV and WAA Helicopter
- 2021
- AVL data tuning

- Travel to scene
- Scene to hospital
- WAST vs EMRTS
  - E.g. abandoned calls
  - Joint working
  - Transport "Normal"

#### 4.1.1 ECAR Responses



	Historical Data	Simulated Data	Dillerence	A Dilierence
Count	947	907	-40	-4.22%
Average	0:44:00	0:42:03	-0:01:57	-4.42%
50th Percentile	0:33:07	0:29:16	-0:03:51	-11.63%
90th Percentile	1:22:41	1:20:34	-0:02:07	-2.55%

Figure 4 Response Times for ECAR Responses



entile	0:37:55	0:36:43	-0:01:12	-3.16%
entile	1:30:43	1:31:39	0:00:56	1.02%

50th Perc

90th Perc

#### 4.1.3 All EMRTS Calls



	Historical Data	Simulated Data	Difference	% Difference
Qount	2,238	2,199	-39	-1.74%
Average	0:46:28	0:46:28	0:00:00	-0.00%
50th Percentile	0:35:33	0:33:53	-0:01:40	-4.69%

#### Response Times for AIR Responses Figure 5

# **Model performance**

### Modelling

- Assumptions
- Cardiff day shift doesn't exist in baseline data (started 2022)
- 3 aircraft initially
- 12-hour shifts, no break, available full shift
- Unmet need data included
- Assume same number of clinical teams available irrespective of transport method

#### Outputs

- 1. Number of incidents responded to
- 2. Change in incident numbers for all bases for each scenario (impact)
- 3. Utilisation % of shift
- 4. Incident by locality change
- Proportion of total demand met (inc. unmet need)
- 6. median/ mean response times

#### **Scenarios**

- 1. Add a day shift to Cardiff Heliport 07:00-19:00
- 2. Merging of Welshpool and Caernarfon into the following locations as a single shift (08:00-20:00)
  - a. Caernarfon (LL54)
  - b. Welshpool (SY21)
  - c. North Central Conwy County (LL32)
  - d. North Central Denbighshire (LL18)
- 3. Adding a "twilight" shift to 2a,b,c,d within the hours of 8am 02:00 12-hour shift (we are considering 12-12, 13:00-01:00, 14:00-02:00 as options but want to find the optimum)
  - a. With this additional shift if an additional aircraft were available to the teams, what would be the optimum timing and location be
- 4. Additional question, following optimum placement of item 2/3 latest finish 02:00.
  - a. Adding a twilight to Cardiff base,
  - b. or shifting the start time to the right



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# Results

Results of part 1

Caution: Relative change vs absolute numbers

#### Summary of bestperforming scenario variations

North –Central (#)

14:00-02:00 Extended hours shifts

Scenario	Dispatches	Scene Arrivals	Crew Utilisation	Response Duration (avg)					
Adjusted Baseline	3,620	2,743	39%	1:05:35					
Scenario 1: first, add one daily 07	:00 - 19:00 crew	(can use car or h	elicopter) to Car	diff Heliport:					
1) Add shift to Cardiff	3,787	2,906	34%	58:09					
Scenario 2: then merge the two crews of Welshpool and Caernarfon into one crew at:									
<b>2A)</b> Caernarfon	3,681	2,802	41%	1:04:00					
<b>2B)</b> Welshpool	3,674	2,794	40%	1:03:36					
2C)	3,677	2,797	40%	1:02:34					
2D)	3,671	2,791	40%	1:02:20					
Scenario 3 (car): then add a second 14h - 02h crew shift (car-only) to the merged base of scenario 2:									
<b>3A car)</b> Caernarfon	3,781	2,903	34%	1:00:07					
<b>3B car)</b> Welshpool	3,737	2,857	34%	1:01:33					
3C car)	3,834	2,954	34%	58:39					
3D car)	3,840 2,960		34%	58:41					
Scenario 3 (air): or allow the sec	ond 14h - 02h cr	ew to also respor	nd with a second	helicopter:					
<b>3A air)</b> Caernarfon	3,964	3,083	36%	57:17					
<b>3B air)</b> Welshpool	3,972	3,090	36%	57:27					
3C air)	3,954	3,073	36%	57:14					
3D air)	3,955	3,074	36%	56:40					
Scenario 4 (change): continuing on s	cenario 3C/3D (	car), change star	t time of Cardiff (	day shift to 14h:					
4A) car + change Cardiff	4,027	3,147	37%	58:53 **					
4B) car + change Cardiff	4,034	3,153	37%	58:33 **					
Scenario 4 (car): continuing on scenario 3C/3D (car), add a 14h - 02 crew shift (car-only) to Cardiff:									
4A) car + Cardiff car	4,099	3,217	32%	54:13					
4B) car + Cardiff car	4,110	3,229	32%	54:35					
** = The maximum number of scene arrivals in scenario 4 (change) is achieved by changing the Cardiff daytime shift to 14:00 hours. However, faster average response durations are achieved when									

changing the start time to 10:00 hours.

Headlines impact Merged base and extended hours (3 helicopters)

- keeping same clinical staffing
- 100% aircraft availability
- 490 incidents, resulting in 486 additional patients attended
- Average response time improved 1:05 minutes to 54 minutes
- 86% of total demand met

## EMRTS identified limitations

- Hospital Transports via WAST
- Coding
- Seasonality (e.g. for additional helicopter)
- Aircraft availability e.g. weather, technical, staffing
- Recruitment & Retention, Resource envelope
- Factor in road population coverage from previous work

Scenario 4B (ca	r):car a	car at 14:00 hours + Cardiff car at 14:00 hours.					
Locality	Dispatches (count)	Scene Arrivals (count)	Response Duration (avg, minutes)	Veh. Reflex Duration (avg, minutes)			
Blaenau Gwent	101	70	58	26			
Bridgend	174	137	54	21			
Caerphilly	202	150	53	22			
Cardiff	424	332	44	14			
Carmarthenshire	268	212	51	25			
Ceredigion	99	75	63	38			
Conwy	163	130	48	22			
Denbighshire	133	106	55	22			
Flintshire	163	125	54	25			
Gwynedd	256	216	66	35			
Isle of Anglesey	110	91	75	40			
Merthyr Tydfil	87	69	56	23			
Monmouthshire	113	85	59	27			
Neath Port Talbot	183	137	55	23			
Newport	191	146	48	19			
Pembrokeshire	148	112	70	41			
Powys	268	227	60	37			
Rhondda Cynon Taf	294	220	49	21			
Swansea	338	276	54	24			
The Vale Of Glamorgan	147	115	41	17			
Torfaen	93	75	54	21			
Wrexham	156	123	62	31			

#### Best performing

# Videos of the model

#### EMRTS vs WAST

Drag and Drop a base







#### **UNMET NEED SCENARIOS:**

SCENARIOS 05 - 09

# Part 2

EMERGENCY MEDICAL RETRIEVAL AND TRANSFER SERVICE

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### Questions

- Combined scenarios
- Expectations vs reality?
  - Weather/ Unavailability
  - Hours of darkness "in the day"
    - 1 day shift 285 flying hours lost (9%)
    - Extended hours (8am 02:00) = 2430 flying hours lost (37%)
    - 2 shifts 2915 flying hours lost (north) (46%)
    - 3 shift 3400 flying hours lost (36%)

#### • How to test?

- Assume no flying possible in dark
- Assume aircraft unavailable
- Worst case- work backwards

Abbreviation	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Aircraft start time	08:00	08:00	07:00	07:00	06:00	05:00	05:00	05:00	06:00	07:00	07:00	08:00
Aircraft end time	17:00	18:00	20:00	21:00	22:00	22:00	22:00	21:00	19:00	18:00	16:00	16:00

 No air response = road, and shorter response distance/ duration

• Reflex vs response

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Caution!

- Response = 999 call → on scene
- Reflex = Allocation → on scene

### Summary of Scenarios 5 - 9:

- Best performing +
- 5 = Second North Wales central Helicopter
- 6 = Heli for 6 months
- 7 = Daylight flying
- 8 = Permanent aircraft unavailability (moving Cardiff shift to right)
- 9 = Permanent aircraft unavailability (+Twilight Cardiff Car)

### Scenario 5 & 6 – Additional helicopter in North Central (14:00-02:00)



(+91 arrivals)

### Scenario 7: daylight helicopters only

- H67 24/7 night HEMS
- Others restricted (i.e. as current service)
- Mid/ west Wales disadvantaged
- Lose 73 scene arrivals per year



#### Scenario 8: No aircraft (with 2 shifts in Cardiff)



Minimal difference overall between optimum North Wales sites, but approx. 98 less for Caernarfon

### Summary of Scenarios 5 - 9:

- 5 = Second North Central Helicopter (+91) (12 months)
- 6 = No Winter Helicopter for 6 months (-27)
- 7 = Daylight flying only (ex Cardiff) (-76)

• 8 & 9 reveal the importance of the aircraft, with a loss of 1132-1300 scene arrivals per year

#### Headlines impact

- Extended hours and merged central North Wales base
  - Maintaining or increasing clinical staffing
  - 4 x H-145 aircraft
  - Hours of darkness NVIS
  - Up to **583** additional incidents attended (**577** patients)
  - Average response time improved 1h 05 minutes to 54 minutes
  - Average reflex 28 to 25 mins
  - 88% of total demand met

**Optima Modelling - scene arrivals** 



### Conclusions

- Maintain or increase clinical staffing
- Extended hours, single base
  - North Central
- 14:00 -02:00 optimum for any additional shift
- Hours of darkness HEMS important
- Seasonal NW aircraft acceptable

#### o.o Summary of Scenarios 1 7

The table **below** shows the results of scenarios 1 - 9 as covered in this and the previous report:

Scenario	Dispatches	Scene Arrivals	Crew Utilisation	Response Duration (avg)	Veh. Reflex Duration (avg)
Adjusted Baseline	3,620	2,743	39%	1:05:35	27:36
Scenario 1: first, add one daily 07:00 -	19:00 crew (can	use car or helic	opter) to Cardi	iff Heliport:	
1) Add shift to Cardiff	3,787	2,906	34%	58:09	25:44
Scenario 2: then merge the two crews	of Welshpool an	d Caemarfon in	to one crew at:		
2A) Caemarfon	3,681	2,802	41%	1:04:00	27:36
2B) Welshpool	3,674	2,794	40%	1:03:36	27:47
2C) (	3,677	2,797	40%	1:02:34	27:07
2D)	3,671	2,791	40%	1:02:20	27:21
Scenario 3 (car): then add a second 14	lh - 02h crew shi	ft (car-only) to th	ne merged base	e of scenario 2:	
3A car) Caernarfon	3,781	2,903	34%	1:00:07	26:35
3B car) Welshpool	3,737	2,857	34%	1:01:33	27:06
3C car)	3,834	2,954	34%	58:39	25:25
3D car)	3,840	2,960	34%	58:41	25:27
Scenario 3 (air): or allow the second 14	4h - 02h crew to	also respond wi	th a second hel	icopter:	
3A air) Caernarfon	3,964	3,083	36%	57:17	26:11
3B air) Welshpool	3,972	3,090	36%	57:27	26:27
3C air)	3,954	3,073	36%	57:14	25:38
3D air)	3,955	3,074	36%	56:40	25:50
Scenario 4 ("change"): continuing on s	cenario 3C/3D (	car), change sta	rt time of Cardi	ff day shift to 14h:	
4A) car + change Cardiff	4,027	3,147	37%	58:53	26:24
4B) car + change Cardiff	4,034	3,153	37%	58:33	26:30
4C) Caernarfon car +change Cardiff	3,985	3,104	37%	59:45	27:20
Scenario 4 ("car"): continuing on scena	ario 3C/3D (car),	add a 14h - 02 (	crew shift (car-o	nly) to Cardiff:	
4A) car + Cardiff car [#]	4,099	3,217	32%	54:13	25:04
4B) Car + Cardiff car [#]	4,110	3,229	32%	54:35	25:16
4C) Caemarfon car + Cardiff car	4,057	3,175	31%	55:53	26:03
Scenario 5: similar to scenario 4B ("car	"), but the 14:00	shift at	is car/helicop	oter, instead of car-	only.
5) air + Cardiff car	4,203	3,320	33%	53:16	25:29
Scenario 6: a hybrid of 4B ("car") and §	5. The	14:00 shift is ca	r-only, except fr	orn April until Sep	tember:
6) air (6mo) + Cardiff car	4,174	3,293	32%	54:07	25:22
Scenario 7: helicopters can fly during	daylight only. Th	ese are variation	ns of scenarios	4B, 5 and 6 above.	
7-4Bv1) Not applied to H67	4,079	3,198	31%	55:07	25:13
7-4Bv2) Applied to all shifts	3,937	3,056	30%	52:06	23:15
7-5v1) Not applied to H67	4,136	3,254	32%	53:34	25:04
7-5v2) Applied to all shifts	3,987	3,107	30%	51:21	23:17
7-6v1) Not applied to H67	4,127	3,247	31% 53:57		25:00
7-6v2) Applied to all shifts	3,985	3,105	30%	51:32	23:18
Scenario 8: poor weather (with 2 shifts	in Cardiff, at 14:	00 and 19:00 h	ours).		
8A)	2,810	1,941	22%	59:32	20:43
8B)	2,818	1,947	22%	58:21	20:45
8C) Caemarfon	2,680	1,811	20%	58:57	20:51
Scenario 9: poor weather (with 3 shifts	in Cardiff, at 07:	00, 14:00 and 1	9:00 hours).		•
9A)	2,985	2,113	20%	54:35	20:13
9B)	2,987	2,115	20%	53:38	20:18
9C) Caemarfon	2,844	1,972	18%	53:30	20:16

#### WAA Trustee decisions and next steps

Trustees agreed that the model to move to single central NW base with extended hours was their preferred option.

This would be delivered via a fleet of 4 x H-145 helicopters, with fourth aircraft supplying maintenance back up and seasonal operation in North Wales during summer demand peak. All air missions to be NVIS capable during daylight shifts in addition to late shifts.

Whilst modelling showed clear benefit from central located base using patient need data, an options appraisal will be presented to Trustees at the end of July ensuring all factors are included to determine base location, including equity of HEMS service to patients across Wales.



#### Anonymous feedback





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