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# Gwybodaeth ddiweddaraf am Ddyfodol Clinigol Clinical Futures Update



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## Updates for you and your community

This is the **fifth** in a series of newsletters, which we are providing for our local partners and stakeholders regarding our Clinical Futures programme and the progress we are making with the early opening of The Grange University Hospital. We have been sending these updates twice a month as we were leading up to the early opening of The Grange University Hospital. We will also commit to using this newsletter after the opening to keep you up to date as we implement our Clinical Futures Programme and continue to make planned changes to our wider of system of services across the Health Board area.



In previous issues, we have talked about our hospital sites and the changes that have been taking place. In this briefing, we will focus on **The Grange University Hospital** and the way we are providing healthcare and what services will be provided there. We will also be highlighting progress with our communication and engagement arrangements and we are hopeful that the Health Board's "Your NHS Services in Gwent are changing" booklet should now have arrived at your home!

### Firstly .....

We are so happy and proud to announce that **THE GRANGE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL IS NOW OFFICIALLY OPEN!!!!!!!** After

16 years of planning and three years to build, the new £350 million hospital, in Llanfrechfa, Cwmbran opened its doors on Tuesday 17th November, 2020, four months ahead of schedule. The keys were handed over on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November where we were officially able to start the move and transfer patients ahead of the hospital opening its doors. We are delighted to say that all has gone to plan. With any large development, there were some teething problems but all were ironed out and rectified quickly thanks to the dedication of all involved.



Staff across the Health Board, our partner organisations and our contractors have worked tirelessly to get us to this day and we cannot thank them enough for all the hard work that they have put in to get us to this day. This may be the last chapter in the construction project, but it is just the start of the delivery of first class healthcare services at a specialist critical care centre for Aneurin Bevan University Health Board.

## **What the Clinical Futures Changes will mean for The Grange University Hospital and the services provided on this site:**

Our new specialist and critical care centre, The Grange University Hospital is a new centre of excellence in Gwent to treat our most seriously ill patients or those with significant injuries and it will be the designated trauma unit for Gwent.

The hospital has 560 beds (including trollies and cots) and features a 24-hour Acute Assessment Unit, an Emergency Department, a Helicopter Pad and 24/7 emergency service for patients that need specialist and critical care.

The following services are available at The Grange University Hospital:

- Emergency admissions for major illnesses and injuries and those in need of resuscitation
- Emergency Surgery and Trauma care
- Major and Co-morbidity (more than one serious condition) Surgery
- Emergency Assessment Unit
- Critical Care
- Acute Cardiac Unit
- Cardiology Inpatients
- Hyper Acute Stroke Unit
- Acute Medicine
- Obstetric inpatients and high-risk births
- Children's Assessment Unit
- Neonatal Intensive Care and Special Care Baby Unit
- Paediatric inpatients
- Paediatric inpatient surgery
- Diagnostics
- Emergency endoscopy



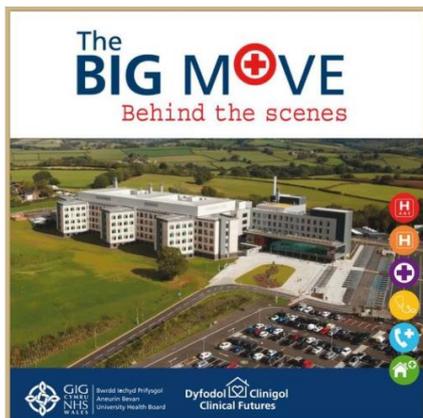
In an emergency, patients who need to be treated by a specialist team will go directly to The Grange University Hospital, where the highest levels of care and diagnostic support will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Some patients referred by their GP will be able to be treated closer to home in their local hospital. If your health deteriorates whilst you are being treated at any of our hospitals and you need access to the specialists or critical care provided at The Grange University Hospital, we will transfer you there via our dedicated patient transport service.

Further information about the services at The Grange University Hospital, along with our other hospitals in the Health Board area are available in a series of information sheets on the Health Board's web pages via the following link:

<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/clinical-futures>

## Communication and Engagement Update:



From Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2020, members of staff from the Communications and Engagement Team were based at The Grange University Hospital to support the move and the Health Board were excited to be able to provide behind the scenes, live footage on their social media accounts as moves took place with photos, videos and interviews with staff members as they prepared for the hospital opening. Therefore, for this edition, we thought we would share with you some of the amazing stories and social media updates that the team were able to capture during **#Thebigmove** below:

### Maternity

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2020, Deb Jackson, Head of Midwifery, for Aneurin Bevan Health Board did a Facebook Live to talk about the new maternity unit at The Grange University Hospital and explained what it will offer. She explained that the unit would open its doors to maternity patients from 9am on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 and the staff were eagerly awaiting the arrival of the first baby to be born at the unit.



### Our first baby born

The staff didn't have to wait too long and Poppy Dorothy Brooks was the very first baby to be born at The Grange University Hospital. She was born on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 at 12.44pm at The Grange's Birth Centre, weighing 6lbs 15oz.

Poppy was four days overdue- she must've been holding on so that she could be our very first Grange baby!

All staff here at the Health Board extend their best wishes and congratulations to mum Helen Jewell and dad Tom Brooks.



### The first Neonatal patient

Meet Baby Teddy- our very first Neonatal patient to arrive at The Grange University Hospital.

Teddy was born on the 6th November at 30 weeks and 5 days, weighing 4lbs 2ozs.

Teddy also received a teddy of his own when he was given a Grange Hospital bear. Welcome to the world Teddy!



### Coronary Care Unit

On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 12:30pm Dr Chris Chick gave a live tour of the Coronary Care Unit on our Facebook site, which showed where we will care for people with heart conditions.

### Our first Interventional Radiology patient

On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November, our Interventional Radiography Team completed their very first treatment at The Grange University Hospital, using the brand new state of the art Phillips Flex Arm Radiology machine- the first in the UK of its kind!

Dr Nimit Goyal, Consultant Radiologist, and Kath Campbell, Superintendent Radiographer performed the procedure on our first interventional radiology patient.

We are pleased to report that the procedure was very successful, and that the patient recovered very quickly and was able to return home only **TWO** hours after the procedure!



### The Emergency Department is now open!

On Tuesday 17th November, 2020 at 2am the Emergency Department was officially opened and that meant that The Grange University Hospital was officially open to welcome and treat our patients!!!

## The first ambulance arrives

At 02:45am on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2020, the First ambulance arrived at The Grange University Hospital.



## What an entrance to the world!

A baby boy was delivered in the car park of The Grange University Hospital on the hospital's opening day.

Mum Chelsea Waite and partner Ieuan drove to the new hospital from their home in Blackwood when Chelsea's contractions increased. All was going to plan until the couple were two minutes away from the hospital.

Dr Chris Chick, a Consultant Radiologist who hasn't helped to deliver a baby since 1995, was passing when he heard Chelsea's screams and rushed over to help. Dr Chick called for assistance and was joined by Healthcare Support Workers, Jordan Oliver and Paige Edwards and he managed to deliver baby Flynn safely and kept him warm until midwives and Welsh Ambulance Service staff arrived on the scene to take over. Welcome to the world baby Flynn.

If you would like any additional information or have any questions, please contact us via [ABHB.enquiries@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:ABHB.enquiries@wales.nhs.uk) or through social media:



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