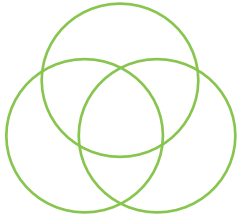




Independent review of
maternity and neonatal
services at
Swansea Bay University
Health Board.

The Oversight Panel

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The role of the Oversight Panel

The Oversight Panel (OP) has a key role in providing assurance around all aspects of the review. They will hold the review teams to account and ensure that the review delivers in line with the Terms of Reference. The OP is comprised of individual members who owe no duties or obligations to the Health Board other than to ensure delivery of the review. The key roles of the OP are:

- Review progress as well as to escalate any project risks and relevant matters arising directly to the Health Board. Any immediate risks to patient safety (not identified in the current controls report) will be escalated immediately to the relevant clinical team and notified to the OP.
- To undertake an ongoing assurance process in respect of the scope of the Terms of Reference with a view to considering any feedback from the Review teams regarding a need to expand the scope of cases being considered. For the avoidance of doubt the OP has the ability to agree a widened scope.
- The role of the OP is to provide independent scrutiny to ensure the Review is completed in line with the Terms of Reference. However, the OP is aware that it does not have the right to amend, alter or influence the primary findings of the independent review.
- Following completion of the Review, it will continue to oversee the implementation by the Health Board of any recommendations made against agreed milestones.

The OP Members are:



Interim Chair: **Dr Denise Chaffer CBE**, Executive Clinical Nursing / Maternity Patient Safety Leader.



Dr Edile Murdoch, Consultant Neonatologist, Chair of the Scottish perinatal network significant adverse event review group and the NHSE maternity and neonatal outcomes group.



Sarah Land, Co-Founder and Charity Manager of PEEPS HIE (Hypoxic Ischaemic Encephalopathy).



Mr Tony Kelly, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist Kent Surrey & Sussex Patient Safety Collaborative, Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust.



Mr Ken Sutton, Secretary to the Independent Investigation into Maternity and Neonatal Services in East Kent and Secretary to the Hillsborough Independent Panel.