ANNUAL SELF ASSESSMENT HEALTH AND CARE STANDARDS

Situation	Standard 2.9 Medical Devices, Equipment and Diagnostic Systems
B Background	This assessment of compliance with Health and Care Standard 2.9 Medical Devices, Equipment and Diagnostic Systems has been compiled by the Clinical Board Medical Device Safety Officers and co-ordinated through the UHB's Medical Equipment Group.
Assessment	The UHB continues to make progress in the effective life cycle management of medical equipment. A recent WAO progress review acknowledged this but highlighted that more action is required to strengthen compliance to the UHB's system level medical equipment governance framework. The WAO noted the introduction of the Medical Device Safety Officer was a positive development but recommended that additional role clarity and authority was required to optimise the impact of this Clinical Board level role. Significant achievements in 2017/18 Positive feedback from the WG national audit of UHB sterile service departments Replacement of all Cardiac Defibrillators Replacement of the entire UHB bed and mattress stock to a standard low profile specification All pathology laboratories are fully UKAS accredited. Risks: Funding for both capital and non-capital items is still the major risk to sustainable service delivery, compliance to national performance standards and assured patient and user safety. Therefore on balance considering the views of the WAO a fair assessment the Corporate level of compliance would be ' Getting There '.
Recommendation	Improvement actions: Refresh and Strengthen Executive / Clinical Board medical equipment management infrastructure. Develop a medical procurement officer role. Develop a UHB wide integrated medical equipment risk register. Develop a local audit framework for decontamination. The Executive lead has commissioned a detailed UHB Medical Equipment Management Policy compliance audit of a unit which has a large inventory of complex medical equipment to highlight further transferable, system level improvement activities. Learning from this audit to be applied within the unit and a plan developed to roll out compliance audits more widely across the organisation.