

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
Adult Continuing NHS Healthcare 2014
Protocol for Quality Assurance of Assessment

1. All Continuing NHS Healthcare assessments with a recommendation of eligibility must be quality assured before a package of care is approved.
2. The responsibility for making sure that assessments are quality assured rests with the contributing Clinical Board that has conducted the assessment.
3. A quality assurance group will meet regularly for Clinical Boards to present their cases for quality assurance: weekly for general and mental health cases, monthly for learning disability
4. The QA group will be comprised of members from contributing Clinical Boards and Social Services.
5. A CHC panel will meet weekly to consider cases that have been through the Quality Assurance group.
6. The CHC panel will be comprised of three Clinical Board Nurses or designated deputy. The panel will be chaired by a Clinical Board Nurse.
7. The CHC panel will report to the commissioning Clinical Board – PCIC or Mental Health.
8. No case will be presented to panel without Quality Assurance/Peer Review.
9. Only in exceptional circumstances will the CHC panel not accept the quality assured MDT recommendation.
10. An urgent new case or changes to an existing package may be agreed prior to panel: General or Learning Disability cases require authorisation of the PCIC Clinical Board Nurse or a Locality Lead Nurse, Mental Health cases require authorisation of the Mental Health Clinical Board Nurse.
11. On a monthly basis a peer review group will meet to audit eligible and non-eligible cases. Audit feedback will be given to the COO/CBN meeting.