

Supplement 2 to the agenda

Health, Care and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

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Comprehensive Acronym Glossary – WVT Winter Plan 2025/26

This expanded glossary lists acronyms identified within the WVT Winter Plan (2025/26) slide document, including their full definitions, short explanations, and the page numbers where they appear.

ACS: Acute Care System – Network coordinating emergency and acute hospital services. (Page(s): 10)

AMU: Acute Medical Unit – Rapid assessment area for acutely unwell medical patients. (Page(s): 10)

ASC: Adult Social Care. (Page(s): 14)

ASU: Acute Surgical Unit – Unit providing fast access for patients with acute surgical conditions. (Page(s): 10)

BC: Business Case – Formal justification for a project or investment proposal. (Page(s): 13)

BCF: Better Care Fund – Government programme supporting integration between health and social care. (Page(s): 10)

BI: Business Intelligence – Analytical use of data to inform healthcare decisions. (Page(s): 18)

CDC: Community Diagnostic Centre – Centre providing diagnostic imaging outside hospital sites. (Page(s): 13)

CDTC: Community Diagnostic Treatment Centre – Local diagnostic centre improving access to imaging and tests. (Page(s): 10, 13)

CT: Computed Tomography – Imaging method using X-rays and computer processing to produce body cross-sections. (Page(s): 9, 13)

CTCA: CT Coronary Angiography – CT scan of coronary arteries to assess heart conditions. (Page(s): 13)

CTPA: CT Pulmonary Angiography – CT scan technique used to detect pulmonary embolisms. (Page(s): 13)

DLO: Discharge Liaison Officer – Staff coordinating discharges between wards and community care. (Page(s): 18)

EAS: Emergency Access Standard – Target for emergency departments to treat patients within 4 hours. (Page(s): 3, 4, 8, 9)

ECIST: Emergency Care Intensive Support Team – Specialist NHS team supporting hospitals with emergency flow improvement. (Page(s): 7, 10)

ED: Emergency Department – Hospital department providing urgent treatment for serious conditions. (Page(s): 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 20)

EPRR: Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response – Framework ensuring NHS readiness for emergencies and incidents. (Page(s): 19)

GIRFT: Getting It Right First Time – NHS improvement programme to enhance care quality and efficiency. (Page(s): 7, 9)

GP: General Practitioner – Primary care physician providing frontline medical care. (Page(s): 16, 18)

ICB: Integrated Care Board – Body coordinating health and care services within an ICS area. (Page(s): 2)

ICS: Integrated Care System – Partnerships of organisations delivering joined-up health and care services. (Page(s): 3, 7, 11)

IPS: Internal Professional Standards – Set of professional expectations guiding internal hospital operations. (Page(s): 7, 10)

ITU: Intensive Therapy Unit – Hospital unit for patients needing intensive monitoring and treatment. (Page(s): 10)

IVOPAT: Intravenous Outpatient Antibiotic Therapy – Programme for patients to receive IV antibiotics outside hospital. (Page(s): 17, 18)

KPI: Key Performance Indicator. (Page(s): 10)

LOS: Length of Stay – Duration a patient spends in hospital from admission to discharge. (Page(s): 9, 10)

MDT: Multidisciplinary Team – Group of professionals from various fields working together on patient care. (Page(s): 9, 15, 16)

MIU: Minor Injury Unit. (Page(s): 17)

MRI: Magnetic Resonance Imaging – Imaging method using magnetic fields to produce detailed body images. (Page(s): 13,)

NED: Non-Executive Director. (Page(s): 9)

NEL: Non-Elective – Unplanned or emergency hospital admission. (Page(s): 9, 10)

NHS: National Health Service – Publicly funded healthcare system in the United Kingdom. (Page(s): 2, 7)

NHSE: NHS England – Organisation responsible for overseeing NHS operations and planning. (Page(s): 19)

NOUS: Non-Obstetric Ultrasound. (Page(s): 13)

OOH: Out of Hours – Healthcare services provided outside regular working hours. (Page(s): 9)

OPEL: Operational Pressures Escalation Level – National scale assessing NHS system pressures. (Page(s): 11)

PMB: Post-Menopausal Bleeding – Bleeding after menopause, often requiring urgent investigation. (Page(s): 13)

POCT: Point of Care Testing – Testing conducted near the patient to deliver rapid results. (Page(s): 10)

PTHB: Powys Teaching Health Board – NHS body delivering healthcare services across Powys, Wales. (Page(s): 15, 16, 18)

RTGHU: Ready To Go Home Unit – Unit supporting patients awaiting discharge or onward care. (Page(s): 18)

SDEC: Same Day Emergency Care – Assessment and treatment model enabling same-day discharge for emergency patients. (Page(s): 9, 10, 13, 20)

SLA: Service Level Agreement. (Page(s): 18)

SPOA: Single Point of Access – Centralised referral hub for healthcare and community services. (Page(s): 11, 17)

TES: Temporary Escalation Space – Overflow area used to manage patient surges during high demand. (Page(s): 8, 10, 20)

TTO: To Take Out – Medication provided to patients when they are discharged from hospital. (Page(s): 10)

UCR: Urgent Community Response – Service providing urgent care to prevent hospital admissions. (Page(s): 9, 11)

UEC: Urgent and Emergency Care – System of NHS services managing urgent and emergency medical needs. (Page(s): 2, 7, 9, 10, 11, 20)

UHB: University Hospitals Birmingham – Major NHS foundation trust serving the Birmingham area. (Page(s): 13)

USS: Ultrasound Scan – Imaging using sound waves to visualise internal organs. (Page(s): 13)

VPT: Valuing Patients' Time – Trust initiative focused on reducing delays and improving patient flow. (Page(s): 10)