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# **Abbreviations**

Department of Health	DH
European Commission	EC
Female Genital Mutilation	FGM
Higher Education Institutes	HEI
International Association of National Public Health Institutes	IANPHI
International Health Coordination Centre	IHCC
International Health Strategy Group	IHSG
Key Stage Framework	KSF
Memorandum of Understanding	MoU
National Health Service	NHS
Public Health Wales	PHW
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The Tropical Health and Education Trust	THET
The Tropical Health and Education Trust Welsh Government	WG



# Introduction

The International Health Coordination Centre (IHCC) is borne from the Welsh Government (WG) framework 'Health within and beyond Welsh Borders: An enabling framework for international health engagement', published in June 2012. The framework seeks to set an agenda and approach to coordinate and strengthen action in the field of international health within the Welsh National Health Service (NHS) and wider health community.

Established in 2013, the IHCC acts as a focal point for health related international work across the NHS and Wales.

The IHCC aims to build upon the excellence, expertise, passion and commitment shown by organisations and individuals within the Welsh health community.

It does this by promoting, supporting and facilitating opportunities for international collaboration, partnership building and income generation in order to maximise the potential gains and the policy impact for Wales and to reduce duplication of efforts and resources.

The IHCC has focused on four priority areas as defined in the WG framework:

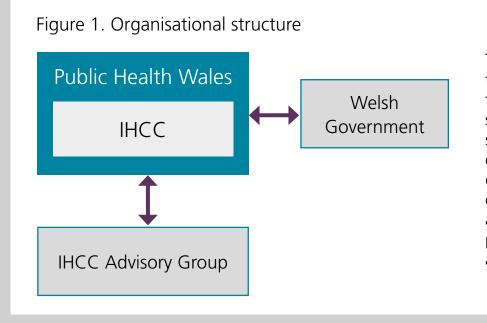
- Welsh health workers will be empowered as global citizens;
- Our international health links will be strengthened;
- Wales will have a higher international profile that promotes and reflects our expertise and values; and
- IV. We will have the knowledge and intelligence to benchmark and compare our health against a range of international indicators.

This report highlights the work and actions undertaken by the IHCC, from its establishment until the present, its impact and achievements; and the direction of future development. Finally, a summary of products of the IHCC activities and useful websites can be found at the end of the document (Appendix A and B).



# **Governance structure**

The IHCC has been structurally, managerially and financially embedded into the Policy, Research and International Development Directorate of Public Health Wales, formally the Policy, Research and International Development Division. (Figure 1). It has an established Advisory Group and active and fulfilling engagement with Welsh Government.



The Advisory Group brings together representatives from various health sectors, enabling the sharing of views and expertise, advising on the direction and development of the IHCC, as well as the identification of potential opportunities and areas for action.

The Advisory Group also provides general activity updates and encourages feedback from constituent members. Organisations represented include:

Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
Cardiff University
Glyndwr University
Primary Care
Public Health Wales
Swansea University
Wales For Africa Health Links Network
Welsh Government

# **Stakeholder Map**

Figure 2. IHCC Stakeholder Map



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COMMUNITY

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The IHCC has successfully established a strong network of key stakeholders involved in the development and implementation of our programme of work (Figure 2).

### **Government & Public Sector**



 Public Health England Department of Health





### **NHS Wales**



Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Caerdydd a'r Fro Cardiff and Vale University Health Board











Bwrdd Iechyd Cwm Taf Health Board



Ymddiriedolaeth GIG Felindre Velindre NHS Trust



lechyd Cyhoeddus Cymru Public Health Wales



Bwrdd lechyd Aneurin Bevan Health Board







Bwrdd Iechyd Hywel Dda Health Board



Ymddiriedolaeth GIG Gwasanaethau Ambiwlans Cymru Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust







The stakeholder map highlights key partners that the IHCC has had working relationships with. This is not an exhaustive list of all organisations the IHCC is linking with. 1

# **Review of Key Action Areas**

### Welsh health workers as Global Citizens

Welsh health workers need to be encouraged and supported to develop appropriate roles that provide personal, organisational and wider benefits to Wales and its international partners.

Figure 3. Global Citizenship Factsheet circulated to staff



### 1. Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will conduct a stocktake of actions taken by NHS Wales organisations that comply with Welsh Health Circular (2006) 070 (WHC). (Welsh Health Circulars were issued by Welsh Government between 2001-2008 offering guidance to the National Health Service in Wales)

#### **Progress**

A report published in 2013 discusses the results of this action (see appendix A). The IHCC met with each Health Board and Trust in Wales to discuss the findings of the report, and explore areas where support was needed and to develop collaboration.

### Impact

The stock-take informed the developed of the Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales (the Charter), giving an overview of the areas where additional support was needed for Health Boards and Trusts, as well as highlighting areas of excellence.



### 2. Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will identify senior champions in all NHS Wales staff groups to advise and promote to staff the benefits of engaging in international health work.

#### **Progress**

Points of contact in each Health Board and Trust across Wales have been established.

### Impact

Establishing points of contact in each Health Board and Trust across Wales ensures a direct liaison point, making the sharing of information and updates more efficient, in addition to ease in working towards shared aims and objectives.

### **Global Citizenship**

In order to determine the level of interest in establishing a Global Citizenship training course, a factsheet and scoping questionnaire were circulated to each NHS organisation in Wales to enable staff to feedback their views (figure 3).

The IHCC believes such a course would have benefits

to staff including an increased understanding of global health issues, as well as greater appreciation of the NHS.

The IHCC has linked with the Welsh Centre for International Affairs to help to inform the development of a course, due to their in-depth knowledge and experience of the Global Citizenship agenda through their extensive work with schools. The results of the scoping questionnaire can be found in the report (see appendix A). Feedback from participants was positive, with participants demonstrating an appetite for the development of a course. For example, when asked 'Do you think increasing your knowledge of global citizenship will help your everyday NHS working?' responses included:

## **3.** Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will explore appropriate opportunities for twinning arrangements that align with Key Stage Framework (KSF) objectives.

### **Progress**

The KSF is no longer operational. However, the IHCC actively supports and promotes twinning arrangements.

### Impact

Formal links are being established between countries and organisations leading to enhanced opportunities for collaboration, sharing of information and good practice, contributing to health improvement, health promotion and service delivery. The IHCC has given active support to twinning initiatives such as the Hywel Dda - Trieste partnership, in the form of funding advise, information sharing and signposting. The partnership has also used the Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales to support its work.

## **4.** Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will work with Welsh Higher Education Institutes (HEIs) to assess current teaching levels on global health and build and sustain support for curricula which equip Welsh students to play a role in international health development.

#### Progress

A basic stock-take of Global Health curricula available in Welsh HEI institutions was carried out to determine the current level of teaching on international health topics in Wales.

### Impact

The stock-take provided an overview of global health courses which in Wales. This is being explored by other bodies to potentially increase the level of global health teaching (see report in Appendix A).

### 5. Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will create a register of Welsh health workers engaged in international work.

#### **Progress**

A database has been created which is maintained and updated as required. The Database for International Health Projects currently has around 60 examples of international projects which health professionals are engaged in.

### Impact

The Database for International Health Projects enables health professionals and beyond to view international projects currently active in Wales. This also provides an opportunity for sharing learning and reducing duplication.

"When I work in the developing world, I realise what a great and noble organization the NHS is, despite all of its problems and criticisms."

"I work in a strategic partnership and planning role so much of my focus is exploring how we can work with other organisations to improve wider population outcomes. To achieve that, we need to understand the diversity of our own citizens, work harder to build more responsive and integrated services and learn from examples of good practice elsewhere in the world." "Most definitely, having been able to undertake a Florence Nightingale Travel Scholarship in 2012, the learning which it afforded me has enhanced my understanding of the importance of shared decision making & supporting people with life-limiting conditions; & staff providing interventions to consider much earlier the options & priorities that people may want to consider when they approach the end of life stage of their illness."

### 2 Our international health links will be strengthened

Wales is already engaged with partners across the globe including institutions such as the World Health Organization, the European Commission and the United Nations.

In addition Wales has used a links approach to work with partners in sub-Saharan Africa, China and India which provides an umbrella for a variety of actions.

To maximise the impact we have, it is important that we develop a more coherent and consistent approach to working with partners that conforms to Welsh aspirations, principles and ethics.

### 6. Actions from the Framework

Welsh Government officials will engage regularly with United Kingdom Government officials to ensure effective links regarding international health and health legislation.

### **Progress**

Both WG and the IHCC contribute to the Department of Health (DH) NHS International Health Group. The group brings together international health leads from across the UK, such as the department of Foreign and International Development, Public Health England and the developed nations, acting as an information exchange platform which highlights key opportunities and issues in the international health agenda. The IHCC has also developed links with the DH International Volunteering Group, which has a specific focus on NHS international volunteering issues.

### Impact

Contributions to the DH International Health Group has resulted in invitations for the IHCC to deliver two presentations – one on the Welsh way of working, and one specifically on the Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales. It has also resulted in increasing Wales' outreach and impact, representing its international work in at least two UK publications and through case-studies. The DH Volunteering Group has also looked closely at the Charter for International Health Partnerships to inform volunteering policy.

## 7. Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will conduct an evaluative review of international health activity currently undertaken by the Welsh Government, NHS Wales and associated health organisations and report to the International Health Strategy Group (IHSG).

### **Progress**

Completed copy of the evaluative review can be seen in appendix A. Individual reports published for each Health Board and Trust, were written and shared with them only, in addition to an All-Wales report which was circulated more widely. Information on international Memorandum of Understandings has been gathered and provided by Welsh Government.

### Impact

The evaluative review served to establish a Database for International Health Projects in Wales, and enabled case studies of international activity to be gathered. The review also helped to inform the Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales.

## 8. Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will publish case studies from a selection of the actions identified within the stock-take and review.

### **Progress**

A series of case studies have been published on the IHCC website database for International Health Projects in Wales which is maintained and updated as required.

### Impact

The Database for International Health Projects in Wales enables Welsh health professionals and others to view current international projects active in Wales. The database also provides the opportunity for sharing learning and reduced duplication.

## 9. Actions from the Framework

Public Health Wales will become an associate member of the International Associated of National Public Health Institutes (IANPHI).

### **Progress**

Public Health Wales is a member of IANPHI and opportunities for engagement are being explored. These include: one-to-one relationships; collaboration; networking; and peer review.

### Impact

Public Health Wales is an active member of IANPHI, bringing back learning to Wales and promoting the Welsh perspective in the European forum. A range of opportunities for the future have been identified in the areas of quality improvement and advocacy which are considered by the Public Health Wales Board.

## **10.** Actions from the Framework

Welsh Government will encourage all NHS Local Health Boards (LHBs) and Trusts to support the sustainability and effectiveness of their local links with health partners in sub-Saharan Africa.

### **Progress**

This action is ongoing and has been significantly strengthened by the development of the Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales, although it is not limited to encouraging work in sub-Saharan Africa.

### Impact

The more sustainable and effective health partnerships have a greater impact on those involved, in terms of experience, mutual learning and health outcomes.

### 11. Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will develop a Welsh Charter for Health Links which sets out the strategic aims and a list of key criteria.

### **Progress**

The development of a Charter for Health Links was broadened into the Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales, to enable the inclusion of all international health partnerships, as the IHCC believes good international working practices have no geographical limits. The Charter was launched in November 2014 after it was developed through a Task and Finish group, workshops and a two-phased consultation process.

### Impact

The Charter has provided a unified focal point for International Partnership working in Wales and a benchmark against which Health boards and Trusts can identify their progress against the Charter's principles.

## **12.** Actions from the Framework

Welsh Government and the IHCC will support the continuation of Wales for Africa Health Links.

### **Progress**

We have mutual representation on appropriate advisory groups, and continue to work together through a Memorandum of Understanding.

### Impact

Mutual representation ensures avoiding duplication, sharing information, identifying synergies and optimisation of impact.

### The Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales

The Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales was successfully launched in November 2014 by Professor Mark Drakeford AM, Minister for Health and Social Services. At the event each Health Board and Trust made a pledge to support the Charter, cementing the Welsh commitment to international partnerships.



A Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales



Senior representatives from the Health Boards and Trusts holding the certificates given to them by the Minster for Health and Social Services. From left to right: Maria Battle, Chair, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board; Joanna Davies Director of Workforce and Organisational Development, Cwm Taf, University Health Board; Karen Howell CEO (interim), Hywel Dda University Health Board; Professor Vivienne Harpwood, Chair, Powys Teaching Health Board; Professor Sir Mansel Alyward, Chair, Public Health Wales NHS Trust; Richard Lee, Head of Clinical Services, Welsh Ambulance Service Trust; Dr Sue Morgan Executive Director of Nursing and Service Improvement, Velindre NHS Trust; Rev. Wynne Roberts Pastoral Care & Partnership Manager, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board; Dr Sara Hayes, Director of Public Health, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board; Dr Tei Sheraton, Consultant Anaesthetist, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board.

The event saw representation from across Wales, with around 60 delegates as well as officials from English organisations, such as the Department of Health, The Tropical Health and Education Trust (THET) and UK-Med. UK-Med and Public Health Wales closed the conference with an overview of the actions taken towards the UK Ebola response.



Dr Tony Redmond, from UK-Med joined the launch over video conferencing to update on the UK-wide Ebola response.







### Implementation

A Charter Implementation Group has been established to ensure the Charter is successfully put into practice within the Health Boards and Trusts. This Group has representation from each Health Board and Trust in Wales, Welsh Government and the Wales for Africa Health Links Network. The group will develop a monitoring and evaluation system to determine the level of impact of the Charter.

*Staff explaining why they support the Charter* 

# **3** Wales will have a higher international profile that promotes and reflects our expertise and values

The global increase in prevalence of non-communicable disease is a threat to Wales and developed and developing countries alike.

In addition, recent outbreaks of infectious diseases such as Ebola, influenza and others show that we are not alone in our health challenges and that global problems require global solutions. Wales has an enviable record of being a significant and trusted voice in international dialogue, a reputation we need to capitalise and build upon.

## **13.** Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will build strategic relations with other European regions and organisations to facilitate applications for European Commission (EC) funding.

### **Progress**

The IHCC has facilitated a meeting and seminar with the EC and the Health Minister, along with senior officials from Public Health Wales and senior representatives from across NHS Wales.

Plans for a health delegation from Wales to Brussels are being considered and the building of strategic relations is an ongoing task.

### Impact

This activity is considered as a high priority and the IHCC ambition is to develop it further bringing tangible, long term outcomes through increased regional engagement leading to appropriate collaborations and funding applications.

## **14.** Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will develop a strategic approach with multi-agency partners in Wales to facilitate applications for external funding for international health engagement.

### **Progress**

The IHCC has been working with Welsh Government to develop capacity in the Welsh NHS and increase awareness, knowledge and engagement. A seminar to introduce the European Commission and opportunities for accessing international funding has been organised as a first step.

### Impact

Developing mutli-agency partnerships enables the IHCC to maximise opportunities for collaboration, mutual learning and increased European funding.



## **15.** Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will work with the Welsh Government European and External Affairs Division to identify links that promote Welsh knowledge and expertise in health.

### **Progress**

The IHCC has been linking with the Welsh Government European and External Affairs Division. Activities have included two seminar presentations with further seminars and workshops planned. Links to the World Health Organisation (WHO) Regions for Health Network (RHN) are being developed. Several study visits from Public Health Wales to European partners in EuroHealthNet have been facilitated.

### Impact

The IHCC has sustained fruitful relations with WG, combining efforts and resources to boost Wales' international agenda and voice. Active participation in well-established European organisations/partnerships has provided knowledge and opportunities in international health work across Wales.

### **International Links**

Links with international agencies have been strengthened particularly with WHO European Regions for Health Network. The Director of the Policy, Research and International Development Directorate has become the RHN focal point in Wales. It is planned this connection to be developed further and maximise opportunities for collaboration and shared learning with similar European regions.

IHCC has had presentations at multiple events to raise its profile and develop its relations, as well as meetings with each Health Board and Trust in Wales to discuss the international agenda.

A key event was the meeting between the European Commission and the Director General for Public Health and Consumer Affairs (DG SANCO) in May 2014. It took the form of a seminar on the European Commission work, and meeting between John Ryan, Director of DG SANCO, David Hughes, Head of the Cardiff European Commission Office, Professor Mark Drakeford AM, Tracey Cooper, Chief Executive, Public Health Wales and Mansel Aylward, Chair, Public Health Wales.

John Ryan said:

"I welcomed the opportunity to meet with Minister Drakeford and his team, and with public health specialists from Wales. The European Commission attaches great importance to the protection of public health and knowledge-sharing."



Professor Mark Drakeford, Minister for Health and Social Servies with Mr John Ryan, European Commission Director General of Health and Consumer Affairs, Dr Tracey Cooper, Chief Executive, Public Health Wales and Dr Mansel Aylward, Chair, Public Health Wales.

"The experiences and expertise built up in Wales could be useful elsewhere in Europe. Similarly, Wales could join in European initiatives particularly focusing on the major health challenges such as cancer, cardiovascular disease and chronic diseases."

During the Ministerial meeting, childhood obesity, legal highs and alcohol were discussed as well as data systems such as the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and Eurostat and the Secure Anonymised Information Linkage (SAIL) database as tools to improve the measurement of health service and public health performance. This was the start of an ongoing dialogue exploring how Public Health Wales and the European Commission can work more closely together to protect and improve the health and wellbeing of the Welsh population.

### 4 Benchmarking and comparison

Even though our health has improved over time, and is still improving, it is useful to assess our performance and outcomes against others.



Over the past 20 years Wales has had aspirations to have health outcomes that match the best in Europe or the world. To recognise the good work we have been doing, we need to look at health levels and good practice across the globe and reassure ourselves that Wales achieves leading health outcomes.

## **16.** Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will review international health comparative frameworks and draw information to a central location.

### **Progress**

An overview of the international health comparative frameworks was published in 2013 (see Appendix A).

### Impact

This aided the discussions on the way forwards to develop international benchmarking and comparison, informing an options paper developed by WG and the Task and Finish group designated to explore this area.

## **17.** Actions from the Framework

The IHSG will report annually to the Minister for Health and Social Services on international health activity undertaken in Wales, highlighting the benefits Wales accrues from the engagement.

#### **Progress**

The IHCC updates on progress to the IHSG.

### Impact

Welsh Government is kept up to date with IHCC activity and international work is being aligned.

# **19.** Actions from the Framework

Welsh Government and Public Health Wales will integrate international health comparisons into reporting of Welsh health indicators.

#### **Progress**

The work is underway by WG, Public Health Wales and national agencies to review existing datasets and instruments and to develop comparative indicators to inform the Wellbeing of the Future Generations Act and the Public Health Bill.

### Impact

IHCC has raised awareness of the importance of comparative international data.

### 18. Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will work with researchers to develop an evaluation framework for international health engagement.

### **Progress**

The IHCC has identified potential existing instruments for further consideration and development.

### Impact

Evaluation tools have been highlighted and signposted to those engaged in international health partnerships work.

### 20. Actions from the Framework

The IHCC will look at evaluated practice elsewhere, such as the work to reduce hospital admissions in Camden New Jersey, to inform Welsh practice.

### **Progress**

This action was overtaken by developments, including the Welsh commitment to the Prudent Healthcare agenda based on the international examples from Brazil, Canada, Holland, New Zealand, Sweden, and the USA.

### Impact

Mutual learning should be used to inform the improvement of long term health outcomes of Welsh citizens in the most effective and cost-effective way.

### **Investigating Benchmarking and Comparison**

The IHCC established a Task and Finish Group in order to explore the implementation of the Benchmarking and Comparison tasks. The group consisted of representatives from Welsh Government, Wales Africa Community Links, Wales for Africa Health Links and the Public Health Wales Observatory. We also sought input from the Health and Social Care Information Research Centre.

The group met several times looking at potential ways forwards and an options paper was developed by WG colleagues in response to the group. However, the WG Transparency group looking at international comparison was subsequently established leading to potential duplication and the Task and Finish group stood down.

Wales Africa Community Links published an Effectiveness Framework, which is a selfassessment tool transferable to those working in any developing country and an effective tool for monitoring and evaluating activity.

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It was concluded that there is sufficient action in this area, the IHCC will remain actively engaged where possible and will continue to investigate the potential for international comparison through the WHO Regions for Health Network.

# **Other Activities**

In additional to the tasks untaken as part of the WG Framework document, the IHCC has invested time in other areas of work, which have been of benefit to the Framework's goals and priorities.

### Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)

A background paper was written to outline the current context of FGM in Wales, and suggests a project proposal for Public Health Wales and the International Health Coordination Centre, in conjunction with WG and other key stakeholders. The document also provides information to inform a Public Health Wales position statement (see Appendix A).

### **Country Profiles**

The IHCC has been working with the Wales for Africa Health Links Network and the Sub-Saharan Africa Advisory Panel in order to develop country profiles.

The aim of this work is to encourage those working internationally to be aware of incountry polices and ways of working, including brief information on the country demographics and culture.

Although the country profiles work is still in development, a draft version can be seen on the IHCC website.

### **Pennies from Heaven**

The IHCC has supported Public Health Wales in the implementation of the Pennies from Heaven salary sacrifice scheme in the organisation. It became apparent after scoping for the Welsh Health Circular (2006) 070 that Public Health Wales was one of the only NHS organisation in Wales not taking part in the scheme.

Public Health Wales staff voted for their choice of charity, and now donate to two Welsh organisations, one which supports international activity in the form of Size of Wales and one national, Tros Gynnal Plant.



### WHO Moldova

The IHCC was approached by WHO Moldova in order to supply information on the way in which international health activity in Wales is organised, particularly from a crossgovernment and cross-sector approach to develop a non-political process of engagement in global health. Wales was chosen due to it being a smaller country strongly affiliated with a large neighbour.

# Future development of the IHCC

The IHCC work to date has been largely shaped by the actions outlined in Welsh Government strategic document 'Health within and beyond Welsh Borders: An enabling framework for International Health engagement'.

In light of the above and recent organisational changes in Welsh Government and Public Health Wales, the IHCC and its Advisory Group are presently reviewing their activities and developing a 3-year strategic plan.

The plan is building on the strong foundation established by the IHCC in terms of results achieved, stakeholder connections established and European and global collaborations.

It is taking forward emerging areas for action informed by the needs, assets and priorities of WG, Public Health Wales and the NHS in Wales.



The IHCC has successfully established itself as a focal point and key player in international health work in Wales. It is keen to advance this work in the future, ensuring that public health learning and development are shared and facilitated to generate the greatest possible health and wellbeing benefits for the Welsh population and beyond.

# **Appendix A**

### **Products of the IHCC**

All IHCC publications can be found online at www.internationalhealth.wales.nhs.uk.

Title	Description
Charter for International Health Partnerships in Wales	The Charter has been developed in recognition of the important need for a more coherent and consistent approach to international partnerships, conforming to and complimenting Welsh aspirations, principles and ethics.
IHCC Mapping of International Health Activity across Wales	In 2013 a questionnaire was circulated to health professional staff in the Welsh NHS. Staff responded detailing what their involvement in international health work is and a report was produced.
IHCC Update on actions towards the Welsh Health Circular (2006) 070	In 2013 a questionnaire was circulated to Chief Executives in each health board and trust in Wales to determine their position on action taken towards the WHC and commitment to international health work. Responses have been complied into a report.
Database of International Health Projects	The database demonstrates the range of International health work taking place across Wales, as well as providing information on the projects, resources and key contacts.
Female Genital Mutilation	This document provides background information on FGM in Wales and elsewhere. This paper goes some way to outlining the current context of FGM in Wales, and suggests a project proposal for Public Health Wales and the International Health Coordination Centre, in conjunction with Welsh Government and other key stakeholders.
Scoping of NHS staff perception of Global Citizenship in the NHS in Wales	In 2015 a questionnaire was circulated to staff in each Health Board and Trust in Wales in order to scope opinions and interest in a Global Citizenship training course. The results were compiled into a report.
Mapping of Global Health Curriculum in Wales Higher Education Institutes (HEIs)	This document served to map the contribution and reach of international health work in HEIs.
International Health Comparative Frameworks	This papers assesses the information currently available that may be used to benchmark the health of the people of Wales compared to other countries or regions.
Country Profiles	The aim of this work is to encourage those working internationally to be aware of in-country polices and ways of working, including brief information on the country demographics and culture.

# **Appendix B**

### Useful resources and websites

### International Health Coordination Centre

www.internationalhealth.wales.nhs.uk

Health within and beyond Welsh borders: An enabling framework for international health engagement

www.internationalhealth.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/ documents/1100/120626frameworken.pdf

Welsh Health Circular (2006) 070

www.internationalhealth.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/documents/1100/WHC%282006%29070.pdf

### Public Health Network Cymru

www.publichealthnetwork.cymru/en

International Health Development www.publichealthnetwork.cymru/en/topics/ health/international-health-development

### Welsh Government

http://gov.wales/?lang=en

Welsh Government international http://gov.wales/topics/international/?lang=en

### Department of Foreign and International Development

www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ department-for-international-development

### **Tropical Health and Education Trust**

www.thet.org

### Health-EU Portal

http://ec.europa.eu/health/index\_en.htm

## International Association of National Health Institutes

www.ianphi.org/

### EuroHealthNet

http://eurohealthnet.eu/

### Welsh Centre for International Affairs

www.wcia.org.uk/about.html

### Hub Cymru

www.hubcymru.org/hub/walesafricahubgrants. html

### **European Commission**

http://ec.europa.eu/index\_en.htm

### WHO Regions for Health Network

www.euro.who.int/en/about-us/networks/ regions-for-health-network-rhn