
Health Protection Board's 2023-24 Report to the Health and Wellbeing Board

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**Thank you to all
members of the Health
Protection Board for
contributing material for
this year's report.**

What is Health Protection?

Protecting the health of the population by improving the prevention and control of communicable diseases and other environmental threats.

- communicable diseases
- chemicals, poisons and radiation
- environmental hazards
- emergency planning, preparedness and response

Which specialist areas does the Health Protection Board cover?

<p>Healthcare Associated Infection (HCAI)</p> <p>Key Performance Indicators: MRSA, <i>C. difficile</i> & <i>E. coli</i> bacteraemia</p>	<p>Communicable Disease Control & Environmental Hazards</p> <p>Key Performance Indicators: Private Water Supplies & Air Quality Management Areas</p>
<p>Health Emergency Planning</p> <p>Key Performance Indicators: Civil Contingencies Act requirements</p>	<p>Sexual Health</p> <p>Key Performance Indicators: HIV & under 18 conceptions</p>
<p>Substance Use</p> <p>Key Performance Indicators: Hep B vaccination, Hep C testing, Opiates & Non-Opiates, Alcohol & Release from prison</p>	<p>Screening & Immunisation</p> <p>Key Performance Indicators: National screening programmes & uptake of universal immunisation programmes</p>

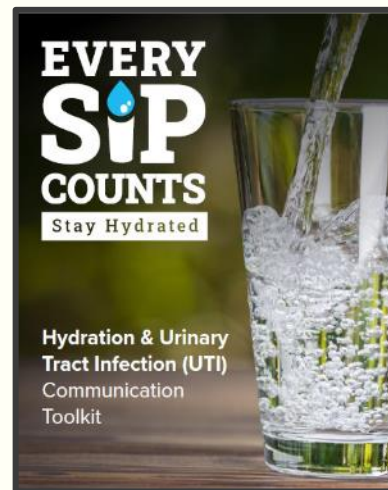
Priorities the Board agreed for 2023-24 that were implemented in 2023-24 and beyond:

No.	Priority (2023-24)	RAG
1	Assurance: continue to monitor the performance of specialist areas, identify risks, ensure mitigation is in place and escalate as necessary	Green
2	Continue to actively participate in the prevention, preparedness and management of outbreaks and incidents with partner agencies to slow down and prevent the spread of communicable disease and manage environmental hazards	Green
3	Continue to ensure that the public and partner organisations are informed about emerging threats to health	Green
4	Embed the BSW Local Health Resilience Partnership Communicable Disease Plan to reduce vaccine preventable diseases and reduce transmission of winter illnesses. Use the Sector Led Improvement Plan and Gap Analysis Action Plan to inform this work	Green
5	Contribute to the BSW system wide quality improvement projects, which aim to reduce the incidence of E-coli blood stream infections and Clostridium Difficile infections	Amber
6	Help improve immunisation uptake and reduce inequalities in uptake through the following: the BSW Maximising Immunisation Uptake Group, a refreshed B&NES Vaccination Implementation Plan, and through contributing to the development of a new Integrated Vaccine Strategy for BSW	Green

2023-24 priorities that were RAG rated **AMBER**

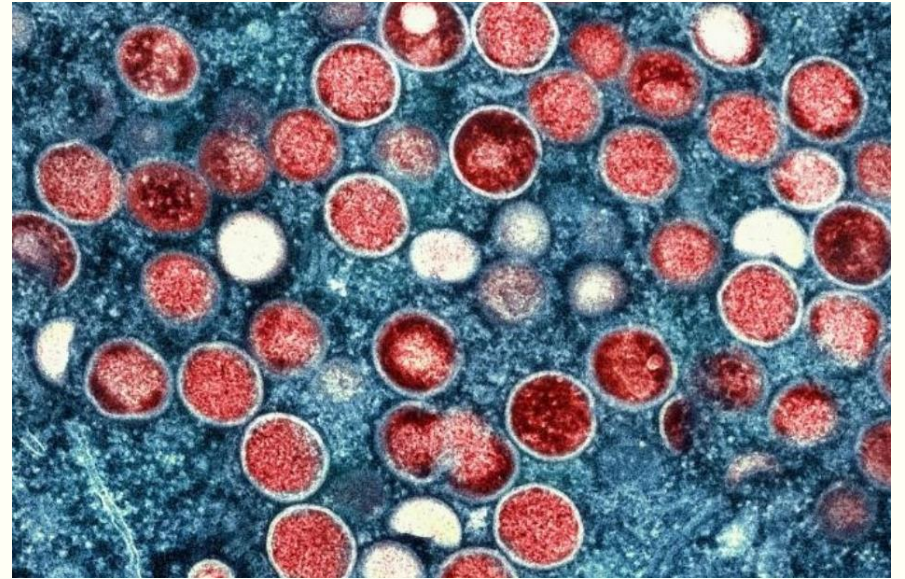
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Quality Improvement – Every Sip Counts Hydration Project



Communicable Disease

- Mpox
- Measles
- HIV late diagnosis in people 1st diagnosed with HIV
- Hepatitis C Micro Elimination



Picture of the Mpox virus under a microscope

Outreach Vaccinations

Age UK Lunch Club Twerton	St Michael's Without Church	Rose Cottage Community Cafe	St John's Alms Houses	Care Home Staff Engagement
Bath Sports & Leisure Centre	Southdown Methodist Church	Rackfield House, Supported Living	Manvers Street Hostel & Salvation Army, Bath	Manvers St Food Bank
Ukrainian Language Group	Bath College	Local Shops, Bath City Centre	Bath One Stop Shop	BEMSCA
Age UK Luch Club, St Michaels Centre	Avon down House, Supported Living	DHI Housing	Bath City Farm	Pennard Court, Twerton

The following 6 priorities were agreed for 2024-25

No.	Priority
1	Assurance: continue to monitor the performance of specialist areas, identify risks, ensure mitigation is in place and escalate as necessary
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3	Continue to ensure that the public and partner organisations are informed about emerging threats to health
4	Help improve immunisation uptake and reduce inequalities in uptake, particularly MMR vaccination. Contribute to the development of a new Integrated Vaccine Strategy for BSW and outreach vaccination model for B&NES.
5	Scope the health protection work that could be undertaken to support prevention of climate change and mitigation of climate change impact and make recommendations for action.
6	Review B&NES coverage for each NHS screening programme to identify needs/gaps and priorities for action.

Questions for the Board

1. Is the Health & Wellbeing Board assured that the Health Protection Board has delivered on the priorities from last year?
2. Does the Health & Wellbeing Board support the priorities that have been recommended for next year and are there further opportunities to join up with partners to achieve them?



Any questions?

Thank you