Welsh Language Scheme – Self Care Office Assessment

Welsh Language course provision assessment.

Background

Courses are provided by the self care office including single sessions, 6 week, 7 week and 8 week courses.

All places on courses are booked on a first come first serve basis.

No course will be confirmed or run without between 12-20 participants booked to attend the course regardless of the language medium.

All course participants are aged above 18 years of age.

Assessment

Courses will be made available in the areas according to the chronic condition population over 18 years old and language need.

The courses will be run wherever possible in the preferred language of the majority of the course participants.

All courses will have the written course materials available bilingually.

20-30 % Welsh speaking participants - a conversational welsh speaker will be available.

40 – 50 % Welsh speaking participants - one tutor/assistant will be a first language Welsh speaker wherever possible.

50% Welsh Speaking participants or more – the course will be made available in the medium of Welsh, where tutors are available.

In counties where more than 50% (according to the 2011 census data) are Welsh speaking, Welsh language courses will be available.

Notes of importance
These stipulations reflect the differences in the populations recorded in the 2011 census data and the population eligible for the chronic conditions self management courses discussed in this document.

Population noted in the census is the entire population aged 3 and above. With a large proportion of those speakers of school age (i.e. not eligible for the programmes).

Also considered in this analysis is the proportion of the population reported in the Welsh census 2011 data that would require the entire course through the medium of Welsh. With only 15% of the population able to speak, read and write Welsh. The other 12% of the Welsh speaking population can speak Welsh but either can’t read or write Welsh. The ability to speak, read and write Welsh would be required for a fully Welsh language course.