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## CONFERENCE ABSTRACT

# The Health and Social Care Regional Integration Fund in Wales: developing new Models of Integrated Care

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The Health and Social Care Regional Integration Fund (RIF) is a 5-year funding Programme for the period 2022 to March 2027. The aim of the RIF is to establish and mainstream six new national models of integrated care to achieve the vision of A Healthier Wales: the Welsh Government's long-term plan for Health and Social Care. It is a key lever for change and transformation across the health and social care. The RIF's priority population groups are:

- Older people including people with dementia
- Children and Young People with Complex Needs
- People with Learning Disabilities and neurodevelopmental conditions
- Unpaid carers
- People with emotional and mental health wellbeing needs

The person-centred outcomes framework for the fund was co-productively developed with Wales's Regional Partnership Boards, who will use their collective resources to support the delivery of the new models of care. This oral presentation aligns to the Person-Centred Care: focus on integration of goals and needs theme, and to 3 of the 9 pillars of integrated care as follows:

1. Shared values and vision
3. People as partners in health and care
4. Resilient communities and new alliances

The presentation will describe how the Communities of Practice (CoPs) established as part of the RIF have, through shared learning and consideration of good practice examples, been pivotal in identifying the likely core components of the new models of care, such as 'What Matters' conversations, which focus on people's individual goals and the "needs" that they consider most important in their lives. We will also describe how the CoPs have helped to ensure that a person-centred approach drives our reporting and evaluation procedures, as well as the development of projects and the delivery of their services. The challenges of monitoring and comprehensive, robust evaluation in this specific context will be discussed, and we will explore the forthcoming challenges in terms of scaling-up new models of care to an all-Wales national level.