Background
Evidence supporting the use of pacemakers is well established. However, evidence about the optimal use of pacemaker telemonitoring for disease management in heart failure is not. Health Technology Wales (HTW) held a national adoption event to understand the value and optimise the use of pacemaker telemonitoring to manage disease and improve patient outcomes in heart failure. It exemplifies an effort by a new national Health Technology Assessment (HTA) body to broaden its focus and move from technology assessment to technology management.

Methods
The multi-stakeholder national adoption workshop was held using:
- Presentations from clinical, industry and patient experts.
- Case studies.
- Interdisciplinary group and panel discussions.
- Agreeing key actions to understand the value & promote optimal use of pacemakers for remote disease monitoring in patients with heart failure in Wales.

Results
The workshop was attended by 45 senior professionals with an interest in improving care of people with heart failure. Actions to progress included:
- Providing a centralised Welsh system to support technical issues that arise with telemonitoring.
- Considering interoperability with other NHS Wales systems.
- Encouraging value-based procurement with collection of a core outcome set.
- Agreeing implementation issues with both professionals and patients.
- Auditing to understand experience, resource use and outcomes.
- Sharing manufacturer evidence on the accuracy of telemanagement algorithms.
- Adopting an All-Wales, multi-stakeholder approach to use pacemakers optimally.

These actions were to be progressed via an all-Wales multi-stakeholder approach, led by the Welsh Cardiac Network.

Conclusions
Developing a more agile, life-cycle approach to technology appraisal is currently advocated; recalibrating the focus from technology assessment to technology management across the complete technology life cycle. HTW will endeavour to facilitate such a paradigm shift through regular adoption events that aim to understand value and optimise use of evidence-based technologies.

“I hope that HTW will organise more events like this when input on a technology topic is needed.” - Anonymous feedback

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