

## Wales Hub Day 2026

### From Evidence to Impact: Driving Value in SLT Services

#### Aims and Objectives

##### By attending Wales Hub Day 2026, delegates will -

- Explore the future of speech and language therapy in Wales, demonstrating value and impact within evolving health, education and social care systems.
- Understand how value-based healthcare principles can be applied, drawing on insights from the keynote and practical examples to support sustainable, system-wide change. (relevant if attending value-based healthcare workshop).
- Develop approaches to embed evidence into everyday practice, ensuring that clinical decision-making consistently delivers meaningful outcomes for individuals and populations.
- Examine the role of innovation, including artificial intelligence, focusing on adding value, supporting Welsh language provision, and enhancing equitable care.
- Engage with the RCSLT Wales State of the Nation report, considering how its findings can be used to influence policy, planning and service development.
- Gain updates on current and future RCSLT and RCSLT Wales workstreams identifying opportunities to contribute to shaping the profession at a national level.
- Strengthen professional networks, sharing learning and building connections to support collaboration, leadership and collective influence.
- Reflect on their own role in driving impact, identifying practical actions to take forward within their services, organisations and communities.
- Shape the future direction of RCSLT, influencing the strategic plan for the organisation

#### DRAFT programme (subject to change)

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| 09.00 - 09.30 (30 mins)  | <b>Registration and refreshments</b>   |
| 09:30 – 09.40 (10 mins)  | <b>Welcome and housekeeping</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pippa Cotterill, Head of Wales Office, RCSLT</li> </ul>   |
| 09.40-10.30 (50 minutes) | <b>Keynote address: Professor Hamish Laing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professor Hamish Laing, Director, Value-Based Health and Care Academy; Professor of Enhanced Innovation and Outcomes, Swansea University</li> </ul>  |
| 10.30-11.05 (35 mins)    | <b>RCSLT update/ RCSLT Wales update</b>  |
| 11.05-11.25 (20 mins)    | <b>Break and networking</b>  |
| 11.25 – 12.15 (50 mins)  | <b>AI in SLT: What Adds Value and What Matters Most? Panel discussion</b>  |
| 12.15-13.20 (55 mins)    | <b>Lunch and networking</b>  |
| 13.20-14.10 (50 mins)    | <b>Workshops</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Value based healthcare workshop</b><br/>Professor Hamish Laing, Director, Value-Based Health and Care Academy; Professor of Enhanced Innovation and Outcomes, Swansea University</li> <li><b>2. AI workshop</b><br/>Dr Fernando Loizides, Reader, Director of the Data Science Academy, School of Computer Sciences &amp; Informatics, Cardiff University</li> </ol> |
| 14.10-14.25 (15 mins)    | <b>Break and networking</b>  |
| 14.25-15.00 (35 mins)    | <b>State of the Nation report and influencing workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pippa Cotterill, Head of Wales Office, RCSLT</li> </ul>  |
| 15.00 – 15.40 (40 mins)  | <b>RCSLT Strategic Plan</b><br>Members can shape the next steps for RCSLT in their strategic plan to 2030 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pippa Cotterill, Head of Wales Office, RCSLT</li> </ul>   |
| 15.40 – 15.55 (15 mins)  | <b>Final reflections, thanks and close</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pippa Cotterill, Head of Wales Office, RCSLT</li> </ul>  |