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Rhodri Wyn Jones
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National Assembly for Wales,
Cardiff Bay,
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Dear Rhodri,

Re: Petition: Accident and Emergency Unit at Ysbyty Aneurin Bevan

Further to your telephone conversation with Mrs Vanessa Price on 23 June 2011, I am writing to provide an update on the process that the Health Board has adopted to identify a safe and sustainable service model for Minor Injury Services across Gwent, which include Minor Injury Services provided from Ysbyty Aneurin Bevan.

You will recall that the Health Board, under the leadership of the Nurse Director, established a clinical Task and Finish Group to: -

- Set out the principles for safe and sustainable Minor Injury Services
- Agreed clinical viability thresholds, based on evidence of best practices, national reviews and professional guidelines
- Undertake detailed case mix reviews for each Minor Injury Services against the agreed clinical viability thresholds
- Develop options for safe and sustainable Minor Injury Services

The Task and Finish Group included lay membership and representatives from Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council.

I am pleased to report that this work is now nearing completion and will shortly be shared with a broader group of stakeholder representatives drawn from across the Health Board area. This event that takes place on the 13th July will be chaired by the Chief Officer of Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council.

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The work of the Task and Finish Group and outcome of discussion with stakeholders will inform the future service models and configuration of Minor Injury Services in our area. I expect that the Health Board will formally receive a paper on the future configuration of Minor Injury Services in September 2011, at which point a final decision will be made and plans put in place to implement the preferred service model.

I trust that I have answered the specific queries that you have raised. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

Yours sincerely



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