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Mr William Powell AM Chair Petitions Committee Cardiff Bay Cardiff CF99 1NA

Dear Mr Powell

## Re: Provision of IBD services in Wales

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to respond to this petition. Hywel Dda University Health Board welcomes the suggestion that there should be the development of a gastroenterology delivery plan. We believe that this would further increase the focus on this group of important diseases and would support us in developing our own more comprehensive delivery plan.

We are already working with our clinical staff to strengthen local leadership in this area, through developing more subspecialist interest, and feel that a national delivery plan would provide more impetus for this work.

Yours sincerely

Karen Howell Chief Executive