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Dear Mr Powell

RE: P-04-448 – Improve Sexual Health Services for Western Vale

Thank you for your recent correspondence concerning sexual health services provided by Cardiff and Vale UHB. I apologise for the length of time that it has taken me to reply and for failing to acknowledge your previous letters.

In my letter to you of 13 March 2013 I indicated that the UHB was undertaking a review of the service. This review concluded in the Summer of 2013 but did not take the form of a paper. Instead, the review concluded with an action plan which provided a baseline for the development of a wider service, workforce and financial review to be undertaken by the new management team. Due to the volume of changes required to modernise the service, much of the most recent work has prioritised development of the service on the Cardiff Royal Infirmary site where, in July 2014, we opened a new purpose-built clinic facility.

During 2015, the service will be focusing on access arrangements across its community sites. Our aim is to standardise the set up of these clinics and to ensure the same level of staff are present each day. We intend to simplify access for patients and ensure the maximum number of clinics provide an appropriate full range of sexual health services. There will be public engagement on these plans but it is not anticipated that there will be any plans to change the clinic at Llantwit Major.

I hope I have been able to provide you with an appropriate explanation in respect of your concerns. Should you have any further queries or concerns or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Adam Cairns
Chief Executive

cc Mark Drakeford AM