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Our ref: P-04-568

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Dear Javid

The Petitions Committee is currently considering the following petition submitted by ABMU Victim Support Group:

Petition: P-04-568 Public Inquiry into ABMU Health Board

We call upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government to hold a full public inquiry in order to investigate the serious concerns raised about standards of care and complaints handling within ABMU Health Board that have caused so much avoidable harm and suffering for patients and bereaved relatives at hospitals administered by the Board and its predecessor bodies and, where necessary, to hold the Chief Executive and the Management Team to account.

Further information relating to the Committee's consideration of the petition can be found via the following link:

http://www.senedd.assemblywales.org/ielssueDetails.aspx?IId=10122&Opt=3

At our meeting on 23 September the Committee considered the attached correspondence from Minister for Health and Social Services and the petitioners.

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Ffôn / Tel: 029 2089 8242 E-bost / Email: Petition@wales.gov.uk While it would not be the full public enquiry the petitioners are seeking, the Committee agreed to ask whether your Committee has any current plans to carry out an investigation into or scrutiny of the issues raised by the petition? If not, would this be something that your Committee would consider adding to its forward work programme?

Please forward your response to the Committee Clerking Team at Petition@Wales.gov.uk.

I look forward to receiving your response.

Yours sincerely

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Enclosures:

- Correspondence from the Minister for Health and Social Services dated 25 July; and
- Correspondence from petitioners.