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Chair and Chief Executive

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Mrs Janet Finch-Saunders AM  
Chair  
Petitions Committee  
National Assembly for Wales  
Cardiff Bay  
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Dear Janet,

**P-05-905 Call for an Independent judicial inquiry into the reorganisation of services within Cwm Taf Health Board**

Thank you for your letter of 24 February 2020 in relation to the above, in which you ask me to respond to the issues raised in the petition and provide further information about the current status of the changes implemented under the South Wales Programme (SWP).

As you are aware from my response to another petition, Cwm Taf University Health Board (the UHB) has recently considered the status of changes implemented as a result of the SWP. The relevant information, as considered by our Board in January, is summarised in section 1 of the enclosed Board paper. The paper also summarises the background to the SWP itself. As set out, in the paper, it is clear that many elements of the SWP recommendations (as endorsed by all relevant health boards and by Welsh Government) have been fully or partially implemented in the UHB. The outstanding recommendations, in relation to emergency medicine and inpatient paediatric services are currently being reconsidered by the project described in the paper, in the light of the current context.

The Board will consider the recommendations of this project over the coming months. I see no grounds for asking the Minister to instigate a judicial inquiry into the UHB's actions.

Yours sincerely,

**Dr Sharon Hopkins**  
**Prif Weithredydd/Chief Executive**

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