

Cyflwynwyd yr ymateb hwn i ymgynghoriad y [Pwyllgor Plant, Pobl Ifanc ac Addysg](#) ar [Flaenoriaethau'r Chweched Senedd](#)

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Beth yn eich barn chi yw'r prif flaenoriaethau neu'r materion y dylai'r Pwyllgor eu hystyried yn ystod y Chweched Senedd? Os oes modd, nodwch eich barn o ran sut y gallai'r Pwyllgor fynd i'r afael â hyn.

What do you consider to be the main priorities or issues that the Committee should consider during the Sixth Senedd? Where possible, please set out your view about how the Committee could address them.

Thema 1: Addysg oedran ysgol | Theme 1: School-age education

- To what extent is a Whole School Approach to mental health and wellbeing being implemented across Wales
- How can we ensure that an embedded mental health service is accessible/available in every Welsh school
- How can the school counselling provision be extended to all primary schools in Wales and include a variety of practice that meets the needs of the child- e.g. play, art, music therapy
- Support for teachers and school staff with mental health and wellbeing of the whole school community – e.g. training and resources to support school staff with how to implement this
- Support around parents/carers and families - how can we ensure they are supported and are able to best support their own and their children's mental health



Thema 2: Addysg bellach ac addysg uwch | Theme 2: Further and higher education

- N/A in terms of children and young people – Place2Be currently works in primary and secondary schools only
- In terms of initial teacher education - Mental health and wellbeing should be embedded within the Teacher Training curriculum and consider the importance of reflective practice and supervision to be ongoing throughout the teaching career

Thema 3: Iechyd a lles, gan gynnwys gofal cymdeithasol (i'r graddau y maent yn ymwneud â phlant a phobl ifanc) | Theme 3: Health and well-being, including social care (as they relate to children and young people)

- How we can focus increasingly on early intervention and prevention
- How we can ensure health, education and social care systems are joined up and working collaboratively together, including support for parents/carers and families
- How can we ensure that the children and young people's mental health workforce is sustained and developed and reflects the diverse communities that it supports
- How can we ensure that the voluntary sector and statutory sector are working closely together to provide the best mental health services and support for children and young people

Thema 4: Plant a phobl ifanc | Theme 4: Children and young people

- How we can prioritise and normalise mental health and wellbeing for all children and young people and reduce stigma associated with seeking support
- How we can ensure support for children and young people meets the needs of diverse communities and is sensitive to, and aware of, any protected characteristics
- Looking at how support for children and young people's mental health and wellbeing will help tackle the attainment gap

