

Cafodd yr ymateb hwn ei gyflwyno i ymgynghoriad y [Pwyllgor Iechyd a Gofal Cymdeithasol](#) ar [Flaenoriaethau'r Chweched Senedd](#)

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Blaenoriaethau cychwynol a nodwyd gan y Pwyllgor Initial priorities identified by the Committee

Mae'r Pwyllgor wedi nodi nifer o flaenoriaethau posibl ar gyfer ei waith yn ystod y Chweched Senedd, gan gynnwys: iechyd y cyhoedd a gwaith ataliol; y gweithlu iechyd a gofal cymdeithasol, gan gynnwys diwylliant sefydliadol a lles staff; mynediad at wasanaethau iechyd meddwl; arloesi ar sail tystiolaeth ym maes iechyd a gofal cymdeithasol; cymorth a gwasanaethau i ofalwyr di-dâl; mynediad at wasanaethau adsefydlu i'r rhai sydd wedi cael COVID ac i eraill; a mynediad at wasanaethau ar gyfer cyflyrau cronig tymor hir, gan gynnwys cyflyrau cyhyrysgerbydol.

The Committee has identified several potential priorities for work during the Sixth Senedd, including: public health and prevention; the health and social care workforce, including organisational culture and staff wellbeing; access to mental health services; evidence-based innovation in health and social care; support and services for unpaid carers; access to COVID and non-COVID rehabilitation services; and access to services for long-term chronic conditions, including musculoskeletal conditions.

C1. Pa rai o'r materion uchod ydych chi'n credu y dylai'r Pwyllgor roi blaenoriaeth iddynt, a pham?

Q1. Which of the issues listed above do you think should be a priority, and why?

Mental health services.

Mental health provisions resonate through so many areas of society and increase demand in other areas eg Policing, Ambulance provision, GP services. Effective early interventions have the ability to reduce long term effects on an individual and society.

In 2019 the National Assembly for Wales published the report Mental Health in policing and police custody with 10 recommendations.

Welsh Ambulance Service:



Numerous reviews have been carried out of the WAST however Police Officers continue to be utilised as a stop gap for services who are unable to meet their demand. Officers are frequently requested to attend a medical incident in the absence of an ambulance and provide first aid (and this is all that it is – basic first aid). However once an Officer is at the scene the priority status of the incident decreases leaving Officers plugging the gaps in a medical provision.

Notwithstanding the last 19months – sufficient time has passed to establish if the reports are effective, how the recommendations have been implemented and how they can be monitored and honed (if needed in the future).

Blaenoriaethau allweddol ar gyfer y Chweched Senedd

Key priorities for the Sixth Senedd

C2. Yn eich barn chi, pa flaenoriaethau allweddol eraill y dylai'r Pwyllgor eu hystyried yn ystod y Chweched Senedd mewn perthynas â:

- a) **gwasanaethau iechyd;**
- b) **gofal cymdeithasol a gofalwyr;**
- c) **adfer yn dilyn COVID?**

Q2. In your view, what other key priorities should the Committee consider during the Sixth Senedd in relation to:

- a) **health services;**
 - b) **social care and carers;**
 - c) **COVID recovery?**
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Gwasanaethau iechyd

Health services

Menopause provision.

Society in general is now having a conversation in relation to women who are dealing with the symptoms of menopause. With the increasing retirement age, a present and visible gender workforce balance this is no longer an issue that can be spoken about in hushed tones. The Equality Act provides some protections and provisions but better health provision is essential.

Adfer yn dilyn COVID

COVID recovery

The full extent and effects of long covid are unknown. Consideration to future provisions for those suffering with ME type effects needs to be established.

Unrhyw faterion eraill

Any other issues

C3. A oes unrhyw faterion eraill yr hoffech dynnu sylw'r Pwyllgor atynt?

Q3. Are there any other issues you wish to draw to the Committee's attention?
