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Dear Bethan

During Assembly questions on 3 December I promised to provide you with more information relating to the Trusted to Care unannounced spot checks carried out in district general hospitals between 15 June 2014 and 30 July 2014.

These spots checks assessed four specific areas, as highlighted within the *Trusted to Care* Report, one of which was continence care. Individual hospital reports have been published for each of the 20 sites visited, along with an all Wales report highlighting areas where improvements need to be made in the quality of care being provided, as well as significant good practice identified. All reports can be found on the Welsh Government website via the following link http://wales.gov.uk/topics/health/nhswales/spot-checks/?lang=en.

It is important now that organisations build on the findings of these reports to ensure sustained improvements are made, and that the good practice highlighted is shared across Wales. For this reason 1000 Lives Plus is drawing together the learning from this exercise to ensure health boards across Wales have the tools they need going forward.

Yours sincerely

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