## P-06-1235 Ensure appropriate provision of services and support for people with Acquired Brain Injury in Wales

This petition was submitted by Dr Claire Williams, having collected a total of 443 signatures.

## **Text of Petition:**

There is urgent need to review the provision of services and support for people with Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) in Wales.

There are currently no inpatient rehabilitation services for people with ABI in North Wales, and there are just four inpatient beds for children and young people with ABI in Wales.

Services need to be adequate and 'fit for purpose'.

Now is the Time for Change.

## Additional Information:

In 2018, the All-Party Parliamentary Group on ABI launched the following report

https://cdn.ymaws.com/ukabif.org.uk/resource/resmgr/campaigns/appg-abi\_report\_time-for-cha.pdf

However, an equivalent report that focussed specifically on Wales and considered its demographics, geography and service provision was needed.

This need has resulted in the 2021 'Acquired Brain Injury and Neurorehabilitation in Wales: Time for Change' report https://ukabif.org.uk/page/TFCWales

Key recommendations are made across five areas – Neurorehabilitation, Education, Criminal Justice, Sport-related Traumatic Brain Injury, and the Welfare Benefits System – with each highlighting the urgent need for the provision of services and support for people with ABI in Wales to be reviewed.

ABI is a hidden epidemic affecting many hundreds of thousands of people in Wales, and Services need to be adequate and 'fit for purpose'.

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## Senedd Constituency and Region

- Gower
- South Wales West