

Russell George, MS  
Health and Social Care Committee

9 March 2023

Dear Russell,

### Data Justice inquiry: use of personal data in the Welsh NHS

The [Equality and Social Justice Committee](#) is undertaking a short inquiry on the subject of [data justice](#). We have recently appointed expert advisers, Dr Lina Dencik and Isobel Rorison of Cardiff University to assist the Committee in this work so I thought now would be a timely opportunity to outline our approach to our work in this area. The focus of the inquiry is on the use of personal data in the Welsh NHS, including how patient data will be used and shared when electronic prescribing (e-prescribing) is rolled out. A one day inquiry has been planned for 27 March 2023, in which we will be seeking evidence from NHS representatives, stakeholders and academics.

We will be considering a number of key questions during the inquiry, a full list of which are available on the [inquiry page](#).

While we share a Member, Sarah Murphy, who is a member of both our Committees, we would like to extend an offer to you, and any other Members of your Committee to attend the oral evidence sessions. Should any Member wish to join us on 27 March 2023, please contact the Equality and Social Justice Clerking Team so that arrangements can be made. We would also be happy to share with you a copy of the research paper being prepared by our expert advisers and write to you again to outline our broader findings before our inquiry concludes.



Following the one day inquiry the Committee will then set out the key issues that emerge from the evidence session.

Yours sincerely,

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**Jenny Rathbone MS**

Chair of the Equality and Social Justice Committee  
Welsh Parliament

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We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

