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Bil arfaethedig – Datblygu'r Bil Safonau Gofal Iechyd Meddwl (Cymru) | Proposed Development of the Mental Health Standards of Care (Wales) Bill

Ymateb gan: Dr Lloyd Watkins, Arweinydd Iechyd a Gofal Cymdeithasol, y Comisiwn Cydraddoldeb a Hawliau Dynol | Evidence from: Dr Lloyd Watkins, Health & Social Care Lead, Equality and Human Rights Commission

Consultation for the Proposed Mental Health Standards of Care (Wales) Bill

We are writing to you today to provide you with our <u>report</u> that we submitted to the UK Government's Draft Mental Health Bill in September 2022. We believe the evidence in our report is applicable to some parts of your consultation.

We believe sections on 'ending inappropriate detention' and 'addressing disproportionality' can be of particular relevance to your consultation.

While we have not been able to respond fully to your consultation, we fully support proposals for legislation to replace outdated mental health legislation; improve the delivery of mental health plans for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services and adult services in Wales; improve the accountability of Welsh public sector organisations; help to establish parity between the treatment of physical and mental health; and help to reduce the stigma of mental health in Wales.