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Rôl awdurdodau lleol o ran cefnogi'r broses o ryddhau cleifion o'r Ysbyty

The role of local authorities in supporting hospital discharges

Ymateb gan: Coleg Brenhinol y Meddygon

Response from: Royal College of Physicians

To whom it may concern,

Thank you for the opportunity to feed into the local government and housing committee's inquiry into *the role of local authorities in supporting hospital discharges and addressing delayed transfers of care*.

In order to help with your inquiry, please find enclosed:

- RCP's response to the health and social care committee's inquiry into hospital discharge. <https://www.rcp.ac.uk/media/lgpa3wns/rcp-cymru-wales-response-to-senedd-inquiry-on-hospital-discharge-0.pdf>
- RCP's response to the social care delivery plan 2023-2026, containing a number of case studies of integrated working from across Wales often with the aims of supporting care in the community and avoiding delayed transfers of care from hospital [https://www.rcp.ac.uk/media/syqmeoho/rcp-cymru-wales-response-social-care-delivery-plan-2023-to-2026\\_0.pdf](https://www.rcp.ac.uk/media/syqmeoho/rcp-cymru-wales-response-social-care-delivery-plan-2023-to-2026_0.pdf)

In our forthcoming manifesto for Senedd 2026 we will be calling for: **development and implementation of a full costed plan for social care**. The greater the number of patients unable to leave hospital despite being medically well enough to do so, the fewer beds there are for people coming into hospital who are acutely ill. It is the RCP view that addressing the crises in our health service means addressing underinvestment in social care and that social care must be an equal partner to the NHS – this means parity in status, funding and governance.

Please feel free to contact me for any more information on the attached.

With best wishes,

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