

Keep weekend opening at Cardigan minor injuries unit

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Introduction

Petition Number: P-06-1543

Petition title: Keep weekend opening at Cardigan minor injuries unit

Text of petition: The minor injuries unit has been funded for a trial period this is ending and the service takes pressure off the A+E units in west Wales which have the worst waiting times in Wales.

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Mae'r testun uchod yn cael ei gyflwyno gan y deisebydd. Mae'r tîm deisebau yn gwneud pob ymdrech i sicrhau ei fod yn cadw ei lais dilys. Nid yw'r testun hwn wedi'i wirio am gywirdeb, neu wallau, a gall gynnwys barn neu honiadau heb eu gwirio.



1. Background

The Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) website states that the temporary weekend opening hours at the same day urgent care service at Cardigan Integrated Care Centre ended on Sunday 31 March 2025.

This was due to the Welsh Government's 50-day funding, which enabled the service to operate on Saturdays and Sundays since 11 January 2025, coming to an end.

It is reported that during the first seven weekends, the service saw 845 patients, around 75% of whom otherwise would have attended an emergency department. The seven-day working model also facilitated the trial of a Digital Ward model of care. Over two months, 63 patients were 'virtually admitted' and received care closer to home.

An assessment was said to be underway in March 2025 to understand the impact of operating the services across weekends.

2. Welsh Government action

The letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care to the Committee on 8 September 2025 states that as part of the national Six Goals for Urgent and Emergency Care programme, Hywel Dda UHB has received £12m over the past four years to support delivery of urgent and emergency care improvements. The programme supports the same day urgent care service model at Cardigan Integrated Care Centre and has provided initial funding to support the trial of the seven-day model.

The Cabinet Secretary is of the understanding that Hywel Dda UHB is now developing a business case, however the opening hours and management of the Cardigan Integrated Care Centre is a matter for the health board itself.

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