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Dear William

Thank you for your letter of 24 April on behalf of the Petitions Committee enclosing a copy of correspondence from Alan Rogers about the Charitable Chaplaincy Campaign.

Spiritual care givers offer spiritual care not only to members of faith communities but to the majority of patients, carers and staff who have no association whatsoever with any religious group. The Spiritual Care Services are part of the core team of people in the health service who provide vital support to people in times of need.

I can only reiterate and agree what was said by my predecessor in the last correspondence to you, that the best way to ensure patients and staff throughout Wales have the appropriate access to those services is to continue to support them financially through the NHS.

Best wishes

Mark

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