Y Pwyllgor lechyd a Gofal Cymdeithasol Health and Social Care Committee

Dr Ruth Hussey OBE Chief Medical Officer Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru

National Assembly for Wales



27 May 2015

Dear Ruth,

## Petition P-04-603 Helping babies born at 22 weeks to survive

The Health and Social Care Committee ("the Committee") has received correspondence from the National Assembly's Petitions Committee regarding the above subject. Background information relating to the petition, including correspondence between the Petitions Committee, the petitioner, and the Minister for Health and Social Services, is available on the Committee's <u>website</u>.

The Committee considered the petition at its meeting on <u>13 May 2015</u>. It resolved to:

- write to you to seek clarification about your expectations of individual hospitals' application of professional guidance for the treatment and care of extremely premature babies; and
- consider options for future scrutiny of this subject, to be informed by your response to this letter, when it next considers its forward work programme.

I would be grateful to receive a response by Friday 19 June.

Yours sincerely,

David F. Kees.

David Rees AM Chair, Health and Social Care Committee

cc: William Powell AM, Chair of the Petitions Committee