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Dear Mr Powell

Power of Entry for Ambulance Staff

Thank you for your letter of 5 August 2015 regarding the request for the Petitions Committee to consider power of entry for ambulance service staff. I apologise for the delay in responding which arose from the requirement to have confirmation of the legal position.

Ambulance staff can force entry in life-threatening situations, which is when we would expect our staff to exercise their powers. This entitlement is included in the basic training manual and staff are aware of this requirement. We would support our staff to use their professional judgement in this type of circumstance. Therefore, the matter has not been raised with Welsh Government, as confirmed by the Deputy Minister for Health in his letter of 2 June 2015.

Yours sincerely

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