

## **P-06-1505 Review the Carr Hill Formula in Wales – the funding system for primary care**

This petition was submitted by Matthew Jones, having collected a total of 718 signatures.

### **Text of petition:**

The Carr Hill Formula was introduced with the new GMS contract in 2004.

It has created enormous, unjustifiable and unsafe funding differences between practices and has never once been reviewed in Wales.

The General Practice Council of England are suggesting a new funding formula is their number 1 priority. However, this is not the case in Wales.

### **Additional information:**

GP Practices get the bulk of their income from the number of patients they have registered with them.

The Carr Hill Formula – which relies on historic data – assigns a number between 0.6 and 1.32 for every GP Practice in Wales.

An average GP practice has around 10,000 patients. If the GP Practice has a 0.6 rating – then they will only get paid for 6000 patients. Whereas, if they have a 1.32 rating – they will get paid for 13,200.

The funding differences between some GP Practices looking after the same number of patients is now very close to £1,000,000. This is absurd and totally unacceptable.

It is time the Welsh Government started looking at the data, reviewing the evidence and allocating resources appropriately.

It is a nonsense to continue to keep pouring money into a system where there is no scrutiny about how it is distributed.

### **Senedd Constituency and Region:**

- Cardiff North
- South Wales Central