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Dr Dai Lloyd  
Chair  
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Dear Dai,

Further to my letter to all AMs on 2 March informing them of the decision by the Chief Statistician for Wales that monthly NHS activity statistics will be published on a single day, I can now confirm the first set of data will be published on 20 April at 9.30am. It will be on the penultimate Thursday of most months thereafter.

The Chief Statistician outlined in his blog '[Improving the coherence of monthly NHS statistics](#)' that moving to publish the monthly NHS activity releases on one day will provide a more rounded and integrated picture of activity and performance and give a more coherent view of the NHS in Wales.

I would welcome feedback from the Committee on the new statistics once published. They will be available at: <http://gov.wales/statistics-and-research/nhs-activity-performance-summary/>

If members feel it would be useful to have a briefing from statisticians on this, we would be happy to facilitate. If you would like to arrange, please contact John Morris, head of health, social services and population statistics, at: [morris.john@wales.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:morris.john@wales.gsi.gov.uk) / 0300 0251401.

Yours sincerely,

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