

- a) Diagnosis takes far too long for children – needs to take months, not years, and be available from pre–school age.
- b) Yes.
- c) Target diagnosis times would be good, but may be hard to legislate for due to shortages of doctors/specialists.
- d) It should consult those parents who are trying to get a diagnosis for their child.
- e) Yes. Three yearly.
- f) Welsh Government should give health authorities time targets for diagnosis, plus funding to employ the doctors.
- g) Hard. It took us a long time and involved us paying for private consultants to help diagnose our child.
- h) Timescales. Early diagnosis is vital in improving the lives of autistic people.
- i) Definitely yes. Parents have to work hard to find out the process.
- j) I can only speak in relation to primary school, but the school has been excellent post diagnosis.
- k) Yes.
  - i) Yes!
  - ii) Agree.
  - iii) Agree,
  - iv) Depends what it is.
  - v) Yes.
- l) Yes
- m) Schools.

- n) I do not know.
- o) Yes.
- p) Agree.
- q) Careers guidance in schools.
- r) – Yes, or else the legislation will not make sense.
  - Yes.
  - Yes.
  - No.
- s) No.
- t) The cost of medical professionals needed for timely diagnosis.
- u)
  - i) initial cost only.
  - ii) initial cost only.
  - iii) Ongoing cost.
  - iv) Greatest cost
- v) No.
- w) Reduced diagnosis times.
- x) I do not envisage savings as it is enhancing/developing the current service.
- y) Thank you for your effort as it could improve the lives of many families.