

Vaughan Gething AC/AM
Ysgrifennydd y Cabinet dros Iechyd a Gwasanaethau
Cymdeithasol
Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Ein cyf/Our ref MA-P/VG/2985/18

Dr Dai Lloyd AM
Chair
Health, Social Care and Sport Committee
National Assembly for Wales
Cardiff Bay
Cardiff
CF99 1NA

23 August 2018

Dear Dai,

Following my letter to the Committee in June regarding gender identity services, I am writing to provide a further update on our progress towards improving services in Wales.

I published a written statement on 17 August to announce that, subject to the recruitment of specialist staff, the multi-disciplinary Wales Gender Team will start seeing patients at the end of October.

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board has also confirmed that arrangements will be in place by September for patients who have been seen and assessed by the London Gender Identity Clinic to continue their treatment here in Wales.

The full statement is available at:

<https://gov.wales/about/cabinet/cabinetstatements/2018/ImprovementsToGenderIdentityServices/?lang=en>

Work continues to develop NHS capacity to meet patient needs more broadly and to develop a fully integrated service from April 2019.

I will write again to update on progress towards this in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Vaughan Gething AC/AM
Ysgrifennydd y Cabinet dros Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol
Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services

Bae Caerdydd • Cardiff Bay
Caerdydd • Cardiff
CF99 1NA

Canolfan Cyswllt Cyntaf / First Point of Contact Centre:
0300 0604400

Gohebiaeth.Vaughan.Gething@llyw.cymru
Correspondence.Vaughan.Gething@gov.wales

Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.