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Dear Janet,

Thank you for your letter of 14 June requesting further information following my previous response related to Petition P-05-812 and the implementation of NICE guidelines for Borderline Personality Disorder.

In relation to the additional funding for psychological therapies, this is being released as part of the mental health service improvement funding. Health Boards have been requested to develop proposals that support the implementation of Matrics Cymru and the National Psychological Therapies Management Committee Action Plan which aims to improve the range and accessibility of psychological therapies. Proposals also need to include how the funding will be used to support the achievement of the current 26-week targets for specialist psychological therapies and adherence to current targets for Local Primary Mental Health Support Services. Proposals were expected from Health Boards by 30 June and will then be reviewed by officials before funding is agreed.

In terms of the evidence base, I have attached a link to [Matrics Cymru implementation plan](#) for the Committee's information which supports Health Boards with increasing the range of evidenced based psychological therapies. I can also confirm that Matrics Cymru was supported by a number of [evidence tables](#), including reference to Borderline Personality Disorder.

In respect to your questions in relation to the number of therapists and therapeutic hours available and per person cost for providing treatment to people with borderline personality disorder, including costs for out of area placements, this information will need to be obtained directly from Health Boards.

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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.

I hope you find this information useful.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vaughan Gething". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'V' and a long, sweeping tail.

Vaughan Gething AC/AM

Y Gweinidog Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol
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