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Dear Mr Powell

Re: MS Specialist Nurses

I refer to your letter dated 23rd November 2011 regarding MS Specialist Nurses and firstly, may I apologise for the delay in responding.

I can confirm that the Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board has no plans to reduce the number of MS nurses. The Health Board contracts with The Walton Centre in Liverpool for neurology services.

Work is in progress to set up a North Wales Neurosciences Network which will support the planning and design of service responses reflecting best practice. Based on assessment of health needs, the service will monitor and review the impact and outcomes of the service upon needs.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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