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Dear Andrew

NHS Wales Informatics Services

Thank you for attending Public Accounts Committee on 4 November. The Committee was pleased to note the progress being made on the implementation of the Committee's recommendations and the positive way the service is moving forward. However, we do remain concerned over the timescales for implementing some improvements, especially around the recruitment of the Chief Digital Officer and the establishment and mandate of the Special Health Authority.

During the evidence session, you agreed to send further information on the following issues:

- Share the job specification for the Chief Digital Officer when finalised and advise on the successful candidate, when appointed;
- Explore the availability of My Health online when GP practices merge; and
- Keep the Committee informed about the procurement for GP informatics systems following the recent cancellation of the contract.

I would welcome updates when milestones has been reached together with more detail of how the roles of the Chief Digital Officer, the Chief Information Officer and the Chief Clinical Information Officer fit together.



I also wish to request a detailed update on the implementation of the remaining recommendations from the Committee's Report by 31 October 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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Nick Ramsay AM
Chair

