

**Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 21 Tachwedd  
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**Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 21 November 2011**

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***Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Busnes, Menter, Technoleg a Gwyddoniaeth  
To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science***

**Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am gamau gweithredu Llywodraeth Cymru hyd yma i ddenu'r Banc Buddsoddi Gwyrdd i Gymru. (WAQ58356)

**Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's actions to date on attracting the Green Investment Bank to Wales. (WAQ58356)

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**The Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science (Edwina Hart):** I wrote to Vince Cable MP, Secretary of State for Business, Innovation & Skills in September this year and he has formally noted the Welsh Government's intention to bid for the Green Investment Bank (GIB) to be located in Cardiff.

We are awaiting an announcement from the UK Government on the process for deciding the location of the GIB.

**Peter Black (Gorllewin De Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu rhestr o denantiaid presennol Technium Digidol yn Abertawe ynghyd â dyddiad dechrau a diwedd pob prydles berthnasol. (WAQ58361)

**Peter Black (South Wales West):** Will the Minister provide a list of the current tenants of the Digital Technium in Swansea together with the start and end date of each respective lease. (WAQ58361)

**Peter Black (Gorllewin De Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu rhestr o ymgeiswyr sydd wedi ymrwymo i'r prydlesi yn Technium Digidol yn Abertawe ers mis Ebrill 2010. (WAQ58362)

**Peter Black (South Wales West):** Will the Minister provide a list of applicants to take up the leases in the Digital Technium in Swansea since April 2010. (WAQ58362)

**Peter Black (Gorllewin De Cymru):** Beth yw'r broses i gymeradwyo ceisiadau i brydlesu lle yn Technium Digidol yn Abertawe. (WAQ58363)

**Peter Black (South Wales West):** What is the process involved in approving applications to lease space in the Digital Technium in Swansea. (WAQ58363)

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**Edwina Hart:** Details on the current position with regards to existing tenants in Technium Digital can be accessed through the Technium website (link below), which also provides information on renting an unit or a desk space within the building. One tenant has taken up a lease since April 2010:

[http://www.technium.co.uk/en/digital\\_resident\\_company\\_profiles.htm](http://www.technium.co.uk/en/digital_resident_company_profiles.htm)

***Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol***  
***To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services***

**William Powell (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru):** Ar ôl i'r Gweinidog gytuno, yn y cyfarfod llawn ar 9 Tachwedd, i ysgrifennu at Brif Weithredwr Bwrdd Iechyd Lleol Powys ynghylch y diffyg darpariaeth i nyrsys MS pwrpasol, a wnaiff y Gweinidog hefyd ysgrifennu at Fwrdd Iechyd Lleol Hywel Dda, oherwydd tynnwyd fy sylw at y ffaith bod problem debyg yn yr ardal honno. (WAQ58355)

**William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** Following the Minister's agreement, made in plenary on 9 November, to write to the Chief Executive of Powys LHB regarding the lack of provision for dedicated MS nurses, will the Minister also write to Hywel Dda LHB, as it has been brought to my attention that there is a similar problem in that area. (WAQ58355)

***Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 17 Tachwedd 2011***  
***Answer received for publication on 17 November 2011***

**The Minister for Health and Social Services (Lesley Griffiths):** I will write to Powys LHB because of the specific cross border issues and I will raise the more general issue of specialist nurses with the Chairs of the LHBs rather than writing individually to LHBs.

**Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am y prinder staff presennol yn IVF Cymru. (WAQ58357)

**Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on the current staff shortages at IVF Wales. (WAQ58357)

***Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 21 Tachwedd 2011***  
***Answer received for publication on 21 November 2011***

**Lesley Griffiths:** Cardiff and Vale University Health Board is responsible for the provision of services at IVF Wales. The Health Board has confirmed that IVF Wales is currently adequately staffed to safely deliver the prescribed level of activity as agreed with its licensing and regulatory body, the HFEA. Staffing levels will be kept under review.

**Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am y samplau sberm wrth gefn a ddinistriwyd yn ddiweddar a oedd wedi'u rhoi gan gleifion sy'n cael triniaeth am ganser ac ymlyniad IVF Cymru i God Ymarfer Awdurdod Ffrwythloni Dynol ac Embryoleg o ran ei arferion sgrinio a chadw. (WAQ58358)

**Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on the recent destruction of reserve sperm samples taken from patients undergoing treatment for cancer and the adherence of IVF Wales to the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority's Code of Practice with regard to its retention and screening practices. (WAQ58358)

***Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 24 Tachwedd 2011***  
***Answer received for publication on 24 November 2011***

**Lesley Griffiths:** Cardiff and Vale University Health Board is responsible for the provision of services at the IVF Wales unit and is committed to ensuring full compliance with the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority's (HFEA) Code of Practice. This is why in March and April of this year the Health Board reported two incidents to the HFEA: one in relation to the incorrect disposal of a small number of sperm samples. The other relating to screening of several donor samples which had been

released for patient use before their six month quarantine period had expired, and before the screening tests at the end of that period had been performed. The Health Board has been working with HFEA to address the shortcomings which led to these incidents and is taking all necessary actions to prevent a repetition.

It is important to note that the Health Board has not been criticised for the breakages of the sperm straws since the storage methods employed up to 2007 did occasionally result in the loss of straws. However, it has acknowledged that protocols were not followed in the way the materials were disposed of. None of the patients involved will be adversely affected since only a very small proportion of their stored samples were lost in the incident.

In terms of the screening issue, all the relevant samples are in the process of being screened and all that have been screened so far have come back as negative. Testing will be completed during December.

I appreciate the distress that these incidents, and the other which was recently reported, will have caused the individuals involved and their families. Patients of IVF Wales can be assured the Health Board will learn lessons from these incidents for the future.

**Darren Millar (Gorllewin Clwyd):** Pa gamau y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn eu cymryd i sicrhau bod digon o gymorth a thriniaeth ar gael i'r rheini sy'n cael gwybod eu bod yn dioddef o ME (syndrom blinder cronig). (WAQ58359)

**Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** What action is the Welsh Government taking to ensure that there is adequate support and treatment available for those diagnosed with ME (chronic fatigue syndrome). (WAQ58359)

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**Lesley Griffiths:** Following the outcome of a Task and Finish Group set up by the Welsh Government to look at ME/CFS services, an all Wales care pathway was finalised in March this year. Health Boards are required to develop their services in line with the pathway.

**Rebecca Evans (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am nifer yr ymgynghorwyr MS arbenigol ym mhob Bwrdd Iechyd Lleol yng Nghymru, maint eu baich achosion a pha asesiad y mae hi wedi'i wneud ynghylch pa mor ddigonol yw'r ddarpariaeth. (WAQ58360)

**Rebecca Evans (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on the number of specialist MS consultants in each of the LHBs in Wales, the size of their caseload and what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the provision. (WAQ58360)

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**Lesley Griffiths:** It is important the people of Wales can access the best possible service. The future shape of neurology services in Wales, including services for people with Multiple Sclerosis (MS), is still under consideration.

MS is not a medical speciality in its own right however, there are a number of neurologists with a specialist interest in this area although details are not held centrally. I am aware both Betsi Cadwaladr UHB and the Mid and South Wales Neuroscience Programme Board are currently working on the shape of future services to ensure on-going planning for neurology services and development of sub-speciality

expertise in Wales. As part of this process, Public Health Wales has undertaken a needs assessment to inform the development of a service model and to identify any gaps in the current skill mix.