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Minister for Health and Social Services



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Ein cyf/Our ref: WQ81871

Helen Mary Jones MS
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Dear Helen,

I am writing in response to WQ81871: What discussions has the Minister had with Hywel Dda University Health Board regarding the COVID-19 vaccines roll-out, following claims from the Gwendraeth Valley that families of front line staff are receiving the vaccine before other front line health and care workers?

Wales like other UK nations is vaccinating people who are most at-risk of catching coronavirus and developing serious illnesses first, in line with the recommendations from the JCVI. They have recommended the vaccine be offered to in the first instance to care home residents and frontline health and social care workers, alongside people aged 80 and over.

My officials are in regular contact with health board colleagues to ensure that processes are in place to deliver vaccines as swiftly and safely as possible in accordance with the prioritisation set.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vaughan Gething". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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