## Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 17 Ionawr 2012 Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 17 January 2012

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Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Addysg a Sgiliau To ask the Minister for Education and Skills

**Eluned Parrott (Canol De Cymru**): Yn dilyn datganiad ysgrifenedig y Dirprwy Weinidog Sgiliau am yr estyniad i Sgiliau Twf Cymru, a fydd y cynllun yn cefnogi sgiliau sylfaenol. (WAQ58524)

**Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):** Further to the written statement by the Deputy Minister for Skills on the extension of Skills Growth Wales, will the scheme support basic skills. (WAQ58524)

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**The Deputy Minister for Skills (Jeff Cuthbert):** Skills Growth Wales is a scheme to support companies that have identified a significant growth opportunity and require training to fund the higher level skills required to help the company grow

Skills Growth Wales does not, however, support delivery of basic skills, as this is already available through the Basic Skills in the Workplace Programme. Under this Programme, employers can access 100% funding to support literacy and numeracy training through the Employer Pledge. The Programme is supported by the European Social Fund and represents a total investment of £17.5 million over 4 years. Advice on how to access support through the Programme is available to employers via Human Resource Development Advisors, who also support businesses to develop their Skills Growth Wales training plan, thereby enabling a seamless approach to addressing the employer's skills needs.

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

**Eluned Parrott (Canol De Cymru):** Pa gyswllt ydych chi wedi'i gael ac yn bwriadu ei gael, a gyda phwy, yng Nghanolfan Crymangelloedd a Thalasaemia Butetown. (WAQ58526)

**Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central)**: What contact with whom have you had and do you intend to have with the Butetown Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia Centre. (WAQ58526)

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The Minister for Health and Social Services (Lesley Griffiths): I informed the Member during health questions on 7 December, I met staff from the service on 5 December last year and have arranged to visit next month. I also expect to meet staff from the service at the Minority Ethnic Communities Health Fair on 27 February. I have received correspondence from a number of people recently regarding the Cardiff Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia Service and my officials will respond to them. The provision of these services is an operational matter for Cardiff and Vale University Health Board.

**Rebecca Evans (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru):** Sut y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn cynnig arweiniad, cydgysylltiad a chyfeiriad wrth drin a chefnogi pobl â diabetes. (WAQ58525)

**Rebecca Evans** (Mid and West Wales): How is the Welsh Government offering leadership, coordination and direction in the treatment and support of people with diabetes. (WAQ58525)

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**Lesley Griffiths:** We require Health Boards in Wales to have Diabetes Planning and Delivery Groups to lead and manage the implementation of the standards of care set in the National Service Framework for Diabetes. These Groups must have effective and meaningful arrangements for service users to input their views and to influence and shape services.

At a national level, the all Wales Diabetes Forum provides advice to Welsh Government on all aspects of diabetes services and helps take forward and support improvements across Wales.

Our focus is to ensure people with, or at risk from, diabetes have access to high quality care. A task and finish group has been established to identify the requirements of an integrated service model for optimum care and to identify a set of national and local performance indicators to measure the effectiveness of care.

Our aim is also to encourage people from a young age to develop good lifestyle habits they can take into adulthood. We are continuing to invest in raising awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, including a healthy diet, drinking alcohol sensibly and not smoking, through creating environments which help people to make healthy choices. Change4Life aims to provide families with tailored advice and support to improve their health through simple lifestyle changes. Around 16,000 families have been supported since the campaign was launched in Wales in April 2010.