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Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your recent Written Question asking if I have any plans to encourage hospitals to move fully to electronic records only.

In July 2023, I launched our Digital and Data Strategy for Health and Social Care in Wales. Aim 2 of the strategy sets out our ambition for high-quality data to be shared between settings and available to clinicians when and where they need it – including continuing to develop a comprehensive single digital health and social care record for Wales. This is something that all Health Boards, Trusts and Authorities are considering and working towards, but it is not something that can happen overnight, and must be done in a clinically safe and managed way.

The Welsh Clinical Portal is used across Wales, providing a digital summary of patient records including GP summary records, test results, and electronic test requests. The Welsh Nursing Care Record is also used across all hospitals in Wales for adult inpatient nursing notes and is in the process of being expanded to include paediatric inpatient nursing notes.

Yours sincerely,

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