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Dear James

Thank you for your recent written question asking me what assessment I have made of the adequacy of stroke services in Mid Wales.

Stroke services in Wales as a whole require reconfiguration to achieve the quality attributes set out in the Stroke Quality Statement. It has been agreed that four Comprehensive Regional Stroke Centres (CRSCs) across Wales offer the opportunity to develop sustainable, safe, high quality, effective and viable stroke care in Wales.

Under the governance of the newly established National Stroke Programme Board, a detailed National Programme Plan for the development of CRSCs is currently being developed outlining a phased approach over the next three years. This is informed by regional plans, all of which reflect the unique circumstances of Powys. The location of the CRSCs will be determined as this work develops.

With strong links to the National Stroke Programme Team, Powys Teaching Health Board are fully engaged in this process and will continue to be involved. As a part of this process, clear arrangements linking to the CRSCs to services in England will be determined for the population of Powys.

I hope this information is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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