



Ein cyf/Our ref: WAQ79966

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Dear Delyth,

I'm writing in response to WAQ79966: On 24 April 2020 Public Health Wales announced 84 retrospective deaths that happened in one health board between 20 March and 23 April – which health board was it and what was the reason for the delay in reporting?

The identification of 84 retrospective deaths reported on the 24 April by Public Health Wales (PHW) were from Betsi Cadwaladr University health board (BCUHB). On the 28 April I published a review outlining the reasons for this under-reporting and the actions we have undertaken as a result - <https://gov.wales/written-statement-review-mechanism-reporting-covid-19-deaths-wales>.

Yours sincerely,



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