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Ein cyf/Our ref: WQ80715

Russell George MS
Welsh Parliament
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Dear Russell,

I'm writing in response to WQ80715: Will the Welsh Government consider changing the status of transurethral resection of a bladder tumour (TURBT) as a way of diagnosing/treating bladder cancer in line with the way NHS England consider this, and to ensure there is a true assessment of the number of cases of bladder cancer in Wales?

A transurethral resection of a bladder tumour is a procedure to mainly diagnose, and sometimes treat, a bladder cancer. I would expect the NHS in Wales to be following the NICE guidance on the diagnosis and management of bladder cancer. The Wales Cancer Intelligence and Surveillance Unit at Public Health Wales NHS Trust is responsible for collating and publishing the number of cases of cancer by tumour type.

Yours sincerely,

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

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