12 December 2013

Dear Mr Howlett

CONSIDERATION OF PETITION PE1471

Thank you for your letter of 22 November 2013 requesting further information regarding the above Petition.

As set out in The Scottish Government’s response of 8 October it is a matter for Health Boards to ensure that the training and education needs of their staff are identified and met.

However, the implementation of the commitments contained in the National Delivery Plan for Children and Young People’s Specialist Services (NDP) were overseen by an Implementation Group to ensure that all the commitments were met. The Implementation Group was reformed as the Specialist Services for Children and Young People Monitoring Group following the end of the NDP to provide continued scrutiny of improvements in this area. The Scottish Government wrote to all Health Boards to remind them of the requirements set out in Better Health, Better Care: Hospital Services for Young People in Scotland on 14 June 2013. A copy of that letter was sent to you along with the earlier response of 8 October 2013.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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