1. What is your view on the petition?
   I don’t have a view on the petition.
2. Why was the “UK self-management model” developed and what does it involve?
   There is no “UK self-management model”
3. Does a cost-benefit analysis underpin this model?
   NICE have approved self-management of anticoagulation via a diagnostics guidance report (http://www.nice.org.uk/Guidance/DG14), however the only UK data looking at this suggests a five fold increase in costs with no improvement in clinical outcome (Jowett S, Bryan S, Murray E, McCahon D, Raftery J, Hobbs FDR, Fitzmaurice D. Patient self-management of anticoagulation therapy: a trial-based cost-effectiveness analysis. British Journal of Haematology 2006:134(6);632-639)
4. Do you have an estimate of the number of self-testing and self-managing warfarin patients in the UK?
   No accurate data but probably around 10,000
5. Would you recommend the Scottish Government take steps to develop a national service delivery model in Scotland, as called for by the petitioner?
   I’m afraid I cannot really answer this, it would depend on what the national priorities were.

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