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To: Chief Executive, Tanya Spriggs, Swansea Bay University Health Board. (Via e-mail)

Cc. Sally Thompson, Beverley Morgan, Padraig McNamara, Kathy Ormond, Welsh Government.

7 October 2021

Dear Colleagues

Thank you for your request for additional funding for 2021/22. I can confirm that we are content to approve an amount totalling £327,730 of the total £422,543 you have requested. Funding will address the activities outlined below.

1. Resources to address DoLS backlog - £232,917
2. Assessing mental capacity and best interests training - £94,813

As this funding is for this financial year, it has not been possible to approve training elements of the bid extending beyond this. These elements have been reduced to six months of costs. As there may be additional Welsh Government funds available towards DoLS in the next financial year you may wish to offer longer contracts, but the financial risk for this would sit with the health board.

We will now arrange for a resource uplift of £327,730 to be made to the health board. Your allocated amount of £8,520 is included within this funding.

To reiterate spend will need to be incurred by April 2022. A summary of activity in respect to these objectives following the financial year end should be submitted to mentalhealthandvulnerablegroups@gov.wales for the attention of Lisa McInch. You should also submit an update on DoLS backlog numbers and activity at this time.

Yours sincerely

Sally Thompson
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