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Dear Aled

Further to your exchange with the First Minister in Plenary on 25 November, the First Minister has asked me to write to you.

My officials have been informed by the health board that no patients are currently waiting more than 52 weeks in the pain services speciality.

Our referral to treatment time targets are very clear and state that 95% of patients should start treatment within 26 weeks and no patients should be waiting more than 36 weeks. I expect Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board to treat all patients within this target time, and in order of clinical priority, which is for the relevant clinician to decide, whilst the health board works towards meeting these targets.

The health board is due to take a performance report to its board meeting in December. This will contain details about the actions it will take to improve performance. Progress against these actions will be monitored closely by my officials.

Yours sincerely

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