P-04-559 Secondary School Awareness of Self-Harm

Petition wording:

We call on the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government to

put in place more educational programmes (specifically in Secondary

Schools) to counteract many people s misunderstanding of self-harm.

A growing issue amongst teenagers in Wales, 43% of people know somebody

who has self-harmed according to a BBC survey. In the same survey, it was

reported that 41% think that self-harm is selfish.

Additional Information: Due to the sheer volume of occurrences in self-harm

among teenagers in Wales, I feel that there should be more awareness and

approachability of the subject. Why should a teenager suffer in silence? This

is why I believe that as a country we should provide more substantial

resources for a sufferer to find free assistance in battling self-harm.

Petition raised by: Eleanor Price

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Number of signatures: 12