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Dear David,

Thank you for your letter of 20 March on behalf of the Petitions Committee regarding Petition P-05-812 - *Implement the NICE guidelines for Borderline Personality Disorder* submitted by Kier Harding.

A study from 2006 estimates that 1 in 20 people are affected by Personality Disorder. There is no single approach to treatment, and many people recover fully without any intervention. For others, psychological therapies are often helpful in the form of talking therapies.

We are continuing to implement our commitment to improve access to psychological therapies. This is why over the last three financial years we have announced £6m annual investment in psychological therapies across all ages in both specialist and local primary mental health support services. The National Psychological Therapies Management Committee is producing an action / implementation plan to assist health boards to assess their current position and to make improvements locally.

Thank you again for writing to me on this matter. I hope you have found my reply helpful.

Yours sincerely,

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