

## **Cafodd yr ymateb hwn ei gyflwyno i ymgynghoriad y [Pwyllgor Iechyd a Gofal Cymdeithasol](#) ar [Flaenoriaethau'r Chweched Senedd](#)**

**This response was submitted to the [Health and Social Care Committee](#) consultation on [Sixth Senedd Priorities](#)**

### **HSC PSS 13**

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## **Blaenoriaethau cychwynnol a nodwyd gan y Pwyllgor Initial priorities identified by the Committee**

Mae'r Pwyllgor wedi nodi nifer o flaenoriaethau posibl ar gyfer ei waith yn ystod y Chweched Senedd, gan gynnwys: iechyd y cyhoedd a gwaith ataliol; y gweithlu iechyd a gofal cymdeithasol, gan gynnwys diwylliant sefydliadol a lles staff; mynediad at wasanaethau iechyd meddwl; arloesi ar sail tystiolaeth ym maes iechyd a gofal cymdeithasol; cymorth a gwasanaethau i ofalwyr di-dâl; mynediad at wasanaethau adsefydlu i'r rhai sydd wedi cael COVID ac i eraill; a mynediad at wasanaethau ar gyfer cyflyrau cronig tymor hir, gan gynnwys cyflyrau cyhyrsgerbydol.

The Committee has identified several potential priorities for work during the Sixth Senedd, including: public health and prevention; the health and social care workforce, including organisational culture and staff wellbeing; access to mental health services; evidence-based innovation in health and social care; support and services for unpaid carers; access to COVID and non-COVID rehabilitation services; and access to services for long-term chronic conditions, including musculoskeletal conditions.

## **Unrhyw faterion eraill**

### **Any other issues**

#### **C3. A oes unrhyw faterion eraill yr hoffech dynnu sylw'r Pwyllgor atynt?**

#### **Q3. Are there any other issues you wish to draw to the Committee's attention?**

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The Cross Party Group on Hospice and Palliative Care is conducting a deep dive over the coming months into the experiences of people who have received or delivered palliative and end of life care in the community during the pandemic.

The experiences of people affected by death, dying and bereavement are seldom heard but will have particular resonance as we learn from and process the impact of the pandemic. We hope to shine a light on the human impact of trends in care that have become apparent during the past 18 months, trends including the increase in the number of people dying in private homes and care homes. The human impact will include understanding whether the appropriate pain relief and symptom control was available, whether people and families had sufficient access to the right health and care professionals, and whether loved ones felt supported into bereavement.



Cross-Senedd working was recommended in the Fifth Senedd Health, Social Care and Sport Committee Legacy Report as a way to bring expertise and energy to areas of scrutiny that could benefit communities across Wales. The joint work between that Committee and the CPG Hospices and Palliative Care in the Fifth Senedd was cited as an example of good practice, with the CPG's inquiries and joint evidence sessions with the Committee highlighted for their impact. The CPG Hospice and Palliative Care deep dive, as well as its ongoing scrutiny of palliative and end of life care policy, can be a valuable source of information and expertise to the Health and Social Care Committee as part of its scrutiny of issues affecting people with life-limiting and terminal conditions as they relate to health, social care and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The CPG Hospice and Palliative Care is available to support the Committee where it can add value and increase capacity.