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Eich cyf/Your ref P-06-1435
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Dear Carolyn,

Petition P-06-1435 We're calling on the Welsh Government to commit to implementing targeted lung cancer screening

Thank you for your letter about this petition. The Welsh Government is committed to improving cancer outcomes and recognises lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer-related death in Wales.

The Welsh Government is working with Public Health Wales (PHW) to determine how best to implement a national targeted lung screening programme in Wales and I am keen we progress towards a Wales-wide screening programme as soon as possible.

The pilot in Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board is due to end in March 2025 when its final evaluation will be published. PHW has been funded to take forward detailed scoping work to determine the model, activity and funding requirements for a national targeted screening programme, building on the intelligence gained from the pilot.

I have asked PHW to provide advice about the implementation of a national lung cancer screening programme by the spring, six months earlier than originally planned, so a decision about how to progress can be made at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

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