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## Senedd Inquiry into the Future of General Practice

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I have grave concerns about the sustainability of general practice. Our funding is now at a level that we are struggling to provide an acceptable service to our patients. The funding for our practice has been eroded over the last 12 years, such that I have fears that there will be harm to patients.

The Carr-Hill formula for GP funding means that our practice sits 4th from bottom of the league table for funding in Wales. Our Carr-Hill weighting is 0.72. This means that each patient registered with our practices attracts only 72% of the expected practice income for a patient. Our list size is 11,526 patients and yet we are only funded to provide a service for 8,281 patients.

The recent 11% uplift in GP funding was welcomed, but our practice received only a 7.92% uplift in funding due to the Carr-Hill formula. With the imminent rises in NI employer contributions, the financial position of our practice is challenging.

Our current funding means that we cannot employ any additional clinical staff, and we cannot continue to absorb the increasing demand. We cannot provide enough appointments to patients to meet their need or their demand. This means that we do not have enough resources to manage chronic diseases in the way that we could 10 or 15 years ago. We have the skills to manage these patients and reduce the impact of long-term chronic disease, but we simply have not been provided with the resources we need to provide the service.

The Health Minister said on 6/11/24 that there had been greater investment in secondary care to the detriment of primary care funding.

There are GPs in Wales who are trained and available to work in General Practice but there is no money to employ them. We know that we have unmet demand and need from our patients. Please give us the resources to meet this demand. Please urgently review the Carr-Hill formula so that funding between Carr-Hill winners and losers does not continue to grow.

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