

# Children and Young People Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 1 - Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Thursday, 29 September 2011**

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Meeting time: **09:30 - 12:50**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**Christine Chapman (Chair)**

**Angela Burns**

**Jocelyn Davies**

**Keith Davies**

**Suzy Davies**

**Julie Morgan**

**Lynne Neagle**

**Jenny Rathbone**

**Aled Roberts**

**Simon Thomas**

### Witnesses:

**Huw Bennett, Public Health Wales**

**Lesley Griffiths, Minister for Health and Social Services**

**Tony Jewell, Chief Medical Officer**

**Dr Heather Payne, Senior Medical Officer, Maternal & Child Health**

**Mechelle Collard, British Society for Paediatric Dentistry**

**Shannu Bhatia, British Society for Paediatric Dentistry**

**Nigel Monaghan, British Association for the Study of Community Dentistry**

**Maria Morgan, British Association for the Study of Community Dentistry**

### Committee Staff:

**Claire Morris (Clerk)**

**Meriel Singleton (Deputy Clerk)**

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## 1. Introductions; Apologies and Substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed everybody to the meeting. No apologies were received.

## **2. Inquiry into Children's Oral Health in Wales: Evidence Session**

2.1 The Chair welcomed Hugh Bennett to the meeting. Members questioned the witness.

## **3. Ministerial Scrutiny Session: Lesley Griffiths, Minister for Health and Social Services**

3.1 The Chair welcomed the Minister to the meeting. Members questioned the Minister.

3.2 The Minister agreed to provide further information on:

- Contradictory comments made by the Royal College of Midwives about midwife numbers in Wales;
- Where recruitment problems in neonatal services exist;
- The number of mother and baby beds available for women suffering with post-natal depression;
- Female genital mutilation;
- An evaluation of the effectiveness of the MEND programme in Wales.

3.3 The Chair agreed to write to the Minister with questions not reached at the meeting.

## **4. Inquiry into Children's Oral Health in Wales : Evidence Session**

4.1 The Chair welcomed Mechelle Collard and Shannu Bhatia to the meeting. Members questioned the witnesses.

## **5. Inquiry into Children's Oral Health in Wales : Evidence Session**

5.1 The Chair welcomed Nigel Monaghan and Maria Morgan to the meeting. Members questioned the witnesses.

## **6. Papers to Note**

### **TRANSCRIPT**

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