



**PE1566/A**

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Convenor of the Public Petitions Committee  
Scottish Parliament  
Edinburgh  
EH99 1SP

Dear

Re: PE01566: A National Service Delivery Model for Warfarin Patients

We would like the Committee to note our support of public petition PE01566, calling on the Scottish Parliament to urge the Scottish Government to mandate A National Service Delivery Model for Warfarin Patients and to adequately resource the service throughout Scotland. The Scottish Association for Children with Heart Disorders (Incorporating Young Adults) supports the petitions request to ensure that all NHS boards have the resources to assess Warfarin patients who request (i.e. self present) for self testing and/or self management of their condition.

Our Patient Association would also ask the Committee to note specific concerns expressed by the petitioner and ourselves about a reluctance of clinicians across the health boards to support patients who want to self test or self manage. Training and a relevant infrastructure needs to be provided thus allowing clinicians to feel confident and able to provide a patient centred approach to assess requests for self testing or self management from suitable patients and to those who do.

Yours sincerely

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Chair: Scottish Association for Children with Heart Disorders

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