

29 May 2015

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

Dear Convener

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 Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh supports the petitioner's 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.

Training and a relevant infrastructure is required to allow clinicians to feel confident and able to provide a patient centred approach to assess requests for self testing, or self management from suitable patients.

Yours sincerely

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President**

Copied to: Mrs Mary Hemphill – Petitioner