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NHS Western Isles Letter of 2 July 2014

PETITION PE1517 ON POLYPROPYLENE MESH MEDICAL DEVICES

Calling on the Scottish Parliament to urge the Scottish Government to:

1. Suspend use of polypropylene Transvaginal Mesh (TVM) procedures;

NHS Western Isles has suspended the procedure. Patients who have been seen recently at clinic have been informed of the Board's decision.

2. Initiate a Public Inquiry and/or comprehensive independent research to evaluate the safety of mesh devices using all evidence available, including that from across the world;

3. Introduce mandatory reporting of all adverse incidents by health professionals;

The Board are in agreement with the proposal.

4. Set up a Scottish Transvaginal Mesh implant register with view to linking this up with national and international registers;

The Board are in agreement with the proposal.

5. Introduce fully Informed Consent with uniformity throughout Scotland's Health Boards; and

The Board are in agreement with the proposal.

6. Write to the MHRA and ask that they reclassify TVM devices to heightened alert status to reflect ongoing concerns worldwide.

The Board are in agreement with the proposal.

Gordon Jamieson Chief Executive