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Sue Ryder submission of 1 October 2019

At Sue Ryder we provide specialist care for people with neurological conditions in our Dee View Court centre in Aberdeen. The people who use our services have access to our specialist physiotherapy, occupational therapy and a range of other specialist services designed to support people to live as independently as possible. However, we have not knowingly provided support to anyone who has had experience of a focused ultrasound scanner to help treat their tremor.

Although we are not in a position to advise on the appropriateness or otherwise of this treatment, we would urge the committee to approach NHS HIS to establish if the General Standards for Neurological Care and Support, published earlier this year, would provide any direction to service providers in relation to access to focused ultrasound scanner treatment. It would also be worth asking the Scottish Government if their forthcoming national action plan on neurological conditions is likely to include this type of treatment.

I do hope this is helpful and all the very best with progressing this petition.