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Dear Adam,

I am writing in response to coronavirus-related Written Questions, which you submitted and have not yet received an answer. Please accept my apologies for the time it has taken to respond to this question.

WQ80561: What risk assessments were carried out before discharging hospital patients to care homes that were untested for COVID-19?

We expect clinicians in local health boards to determine when patients are ready for transfer back to the community and to do so in line with national guidance. The guidance *Hospital discharge service requirements: COVID-19* was published in April 2020 and updated in December. It is available at https://gov.wales/hospital-discharge-service-requirements-covid-19.

You will also have seen my Written Statement on 15 December 2020 which outlines updated discharge arrangements further to advice received from the Technical Advisory Group. It is available at https://gov.wales/written-statement-discharge-arrangements-and-duration-covid-outbreaks-social-care.

Yours sincerely,

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