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Dear Janet,

Thank you for your recent written question asking me to provide a breakdown of how all the funding allocated as part of the 'A Healthier Wales' transformation fund was used.

Following a parliamentary review in 2018, all seven Regional Partnership Boards (RPBs) were invited to submit proposals for funding, encouraged to focus on:

- Seamless alignment of Health & social care services;
- Local primary and community-based health and social care delivery; and
- New integrated prevention services and activities.

With the long-term aim to adopt projects at local, regional and national levels through internal funding.

£87 million was allocated across the regions as follows:

- £6.9m for Cardiff & Vale RPB
- £22.7m for Cwm Taf Morgannwg RPB
- £13.5m for Gwent RPB
- £13m for North Wales RPB
- £2.6m for Powys RPB
- £16.5m for West Glamorgan RPB
- £12m for West Wales RPB.

An additional £2m was also allocated to fund a Collaborative Kidney Care (CKC) project sponsored by the Cwm Taf Morgannwg RPB. Bringing the total allocated funding to £89m.

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The outbreak of Covid-19 in March 2020 added unprecedented pressures on the Health and Social care sector, and any partners working to achieve the original goals set out in the initial Transformation Fund proposals.

A 12-month extension to the project timeline and an additional £50m was agreed to support RPBs to refocus Transformation Fund projects to provide support in alleviating pressures on Health and Social care and deliver accelerated response to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Regions were allocated the additional £50m as follows:

- £5.5m for Cardiff & Vale RPB
- £8.8m for Cwm Taf Morgannwg RPB
- £9.7m for Gwent RPB
- £8.6m for North Wales RPB
- £2.05m for Powys RPB
- £7.5m for West Glamorgan RPB
- £7.2m for West Wales RPB
- £0.8m for Collaborative Kidney Care.

In 2021 it was clear that funding should be considered for future years to support the RPBs' efforts to align Health and Social Care.

As RPBs have multiple funding streams, opportunities were explored for wider amalgamation. Considering the recommendations made through evaluations, agreement was made to integrate the Transformation Fund and the Integrated Care Fund (ICF) into one funding stream to streamline processes and allow RPBs to focus funding on strategic priorities more effectively.

The Health and Social Care Regional Integration Fund (RIF) was approved to replace the Transformation Fund and ICF from April 2022, with an additional 5 years of funding available to the RPBs. Regional leads and Welsh Government leads have worked collaboratively to design and develop the RIF.

Yours sincerely,

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