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Dear Mr Taylor

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 18th August 2017. Your request sought information relating to the following:

Please release the ABMU Health Board's response to the coroner's report to prevent future deaths relating to the death of Anton Kusz on the 7th of January 2017.

The coroner's report referred to is published at:

<https://www.judiciary.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Anton-Kusz-2017-0140.pdf>

Please find attached.

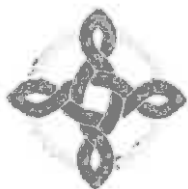
I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.

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Yours sincerely

Steve Combe
Director of Corporate Governance



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Dear Mr Barkley,

INQUEST – ANTON KUSZ

I write further to the Regulation 28 Report that you issued following the Inquest held on 25th April 2017 where the conclusion was a narrative.

I can confirm that a detailed locally agreed joint procedure with the Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust is in place to assist with the release of ambulances. I attach copies of the procedure in place for Princess of Wales Hospital and Morriston Hospital for your information. The Units monitor the application of this and escalate as appropriate to red release calls.

A Weekly Performance Report is submitted to the Executive Team and Board on a weekly basis. This report provides information on current trends and targets set by Welsh Government. It monitors compliance in A & E for patients waiting 4 hours, for patients waiting 12 hours, handovers greater than an hour and handovers greater than two hours. Since January 2017, the time of the incident, there has been significant improvement with ambulance handovers.

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The Units across the Hospital sites have Unscheduled Care Delivery Plans which measure all recommendations/objectives across the different areas. Included in these plans are monitoring of ambulance handovers. This is to ensure that reductions are made and the escalation process is followed, if necessary.

The Assistant Chief Operating Officer and Assistant Director of Operations – Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust meet on a monthly basis, in order to discuss and highlight any concerns.

A bi-monthly meeting takes place with Welsh Government in order to provide assurance on monitoring performance and compliance with the targets in place.

I trust the above information addresses the matters of concern raised in the Regulation 28 report. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Due to my unavailability today I have asked Professor Rory Farrelly, Acting Chief Operating/Deputy Chief Executive/Director of Nursing and Patient Experience, to sign on my behalf

Yours sincerely

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ALEXANDRA HOWELLS
INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Enc Joint Procedure – Princess of Wales & Morriston Hospital