

Lines to take/QA/Timeline on escalation oral statement – 12 December 2023

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1. Escalation of maternity and neonatal services in Swansea

- This morning, Swansea Bay University Health Board confirmed that an independent review of its maternity and neonatal services is about to commence which I welcome.

Questions and Answers

Is this service safe?

It is important to remember that the health board had itself already identified that it needed greater assurance about the safety of the service and has announced today that it has commissioned an independent review of its maternity and neonatal services. I welcome this announcement; this is the correct approach for the health board to provide assurance about its services.