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To :PS Minister Health & Social Services

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Hi PS Minister Health & Social Services

Please see below.

- The health board has also confirmed 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, and we will work closely with the health board over the coming months to ensure any identified learning is taken forward and immediate actions are escalated as needed.
- The review will be an in-depth analysis of stillbirths and neonatal deaths for 2021-2023, in addition to patient and staff experience. The review is being conducted by a multidisciplinary group of experienced clinicians and overseen by an independent panel. I look forward to the outcome of this review, which will be monitored through escalation and intervention arrangements.

WG Officer 2 <redaction s40(2)> will relay this to the Minister via IM now.

Many thanks,

WG Officer 5 <redaction s40(2)>