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Dear Dr Jones

I write to you in your capacity as Chair of the Organ Donation Bill Expert Reference Panel, of which the HTA is a member.

Our Head of Performance, Vicky Marshment, has attended the meetings of the Panel on behalf of the HTA and has provided feedback to the HTA Senior Management Team. We understand the confidential nature of the discussions of the Panel, and will of course observe this confidentiality.

I wanted to take this opportunity to confirm in writing that the HTA's membership of the Panel is to provide advice and guidance based on our knowledge of the existing legislation on organ donation and in light of the experience we have gained over the past six years. The HTA's membership of the Panel does not imply our support for the introduction of presumed consent in Wales, or for any recommendations which may be included within the White Paper which the Welsh Government intend to publish this autumn.

I do hope that the HTA can continue to add value to the discussions of the Panel and provide insight into the legislative and practical issues which may arise.

Yours sincerely



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Acting Chief Executive