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Dear Colleague,

**Health Board Managed GP Practice – Bryntirion Surgery, Caerphilly North**

You may already be aware that Bryntirion Surgery became directly managed by Aneurin Bevan University Board as of 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017, with Markham Medical Centre becoming its branch surgery in September 2019, following the resignation of the former GP Partners.

Further to recent consideration by the Health Board's Executive Committee, it was agreed to advertise Bryntirion Surgery (inclusive of Markham Medical Centre) with a view to returning to Independent Contractor Status. In line with the Vacant Practice Process, an advert was placed in the BMJ and circulated locally with a submission deadline of the 24<sup>th</sup> of November 2023 for applications. The Health Board received one business case, which was shortlisted and invited for interview on the 11<sup>th</sup> of December 2023.

Based on the outcome of the interview, the panel determined that the GP partnership of Dr Allinson and Dr Ahmed provided assurance that they had sufficient capacity to deliver safe and effective care to the patients of Bryntirion Surgery.

Therefore, I am pleased to confirm that following a robust recruitment campaign and ratification by the Aneurin Bevan Executive Committee, the Health Board has awarded the contract to take on the management and delivery of General Medical Services (GMS) for the patients currently

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registered with Bryntirion Surgery to Dr Allinson and Dr Ahmed with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2024.

I'm sure you will agree that this is a positive outcome for the long-term stability of GMS provision in the Caerphilly North area.

The doctors and staff at Bryntirion Surgery will continue to deliver General Medical Services to the patients registered with the practice between now and the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2024, and the Health Board will work with the incoming GP Contractor to ensure a smooth transition for both patients and staff.

Please be assured that patients do not need to do anything as they will be automatically registered with the new GP Contractor with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2024, and will continue to access GMS services from both Bryntirion Surgery and the branch of Markham Medical Centre.

I will be writing to patients shortly, informing them of the outcome and confirming how they will access services from the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2024. I would therefore appreciate it if you could please keep the **details of this letter confidential until this time.**

We appreciate that some patients may be concerned about these changes and any concerns or queries can be directed to the Primary Care Team on (01495) 241293 or 241258.

I hope you understand that our priority is to ensure all patients have access to good quality general medical services and through making these changes, we can continue to provide all patients with the services they need.

If you require any further information in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Primary Care team on (01495) 241293 or 241258.

Yours Sincerely,



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