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Dear Naomi,

Thank you for your letter of 5 April to my predecessor Edwina Hart AM regarding the Macmillan Cancer Support report 'Changing Cancer Care in Wales'.

With one in three people diagnosed with cancer at some stage in their lives, efforts to reduce the incidence of cancer and improve survival rates in Wales will continue to be a priority for the Welsh Government.

The NHS in Wales is expected to plan and deliver patient-centred services, including cancer services which meet the needs of the individual. This is a key theme of efforts to improve the management of chronic conditions and to develop a primary and community care-led NHS. My predecessor met Macmillan in March and communicated this message to them.

As our Manifesto says, Macmillan's work will be used to help inform the development of the Welsh Government's strategic plan for cancer for the period 2011-2015.

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