



Llywodraeth Cynulliad Cymru
Welsh Assembly Government

To: *Chief Executives, Local Health Boards*
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Dear Colleague

You will be aware that Community Pharmacy Wales was created on 1st April 2001 as the successor to the Welsh Central Pharmaceutical Committee representing NHS pharmacy contractors in Wales. On 1 April 2003 it gained independence from the Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee (PSNC) on specific Welsh issues and assumed responsibility for raising levies. Its function is to represent and negotiate on behalf of pharmacy contractors in all matters pertaining to the NHS under the Acts and Regulations of the National Assembly of Wales, and all secondary legislation promulgated prior to the establishment of the National Assembly of Wales.

In order to exercise its responsibilities, Community Pharmacy Wales is structured as a Central Committee based in offices in Cardiff and 3 Regional Committees (North Wales, Mid & West Wales, SouthEast Wales) to mirror the NHS Regional Office Boundaries.

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The Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Bill is currently being drafted which seeks to amend the current provisions in the National Health Service Act 1977 to align itself with the recent reorganisation of the NHS in Wales. Pending Royal Assent, the Welsh Assembly Government would not seek to take issue with any LHB wishing to recognise CPW as an LRC recognised by it under section 44 of the 1977 Act.

Yours sincerely

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