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Dear Russell,

Re: Junior Doctor Pay Uplift


Thank you for your letter regarding junior doctor pay and the Welsh Government's draft budget for 2024/25.

The junior doctor pay uplift in England is being funded from within existing DHSC budgets. The Barnett formula has been applied to all changes to DHSC budgets. Any additional funding for DHSC this year will be confirmed through the Supplementary Estimates process, at which point the Welsh Government will receive funding through the Barnett formula in the usual way.

It is for the Welsh Government to decide how to allocate their funding in devolved areas, and they are well funded to deliver all their devolved responsibilities receiving around 20% more funding per person than equivalent UK Government spending in England. Barnett

HM Treasury are in regular contact with the Welsh Treasury to provide the best information available to help them plan in advance of Supplementary Estimates numbers being finalised.

Yours sincerely,



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