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Dear Reetan

**Appendix A: Structural neuroimaging in first episode psychosis: Scope**

Please find attached below the Welsh Assembly Government's comments on the above appendix.

'Concerns this would present a significant additional pressure on MRI scanners in Wales. Would such scans add to the routine, i.e. 12 month + wait, or would it contribute to lengthening the semi urgent list which then would increase significantly and may cause serious treatable illnesses to be missed. Concerns also re the EU exposure of staff to radiation, and also that many people with paranoid psychosis are most unlikely to be able to lie completely still for 45 minutes in a dark tube for the investigation'.

Thank you for giving the Welsh Assembly Government the opportunity to comment on this document

Yours sincerely

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