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Dear Dr Coldwells,

Thank you and your colleagues for your attendance at the Health and Sport Committee evidence session on 17 December 2019. The Official Report of the meeting is now available [here](#). I indicated at the close of the session the Committee may write with further questions to seek supplementary information and this follows.

Integration

We were impressed by the extensive information provided at the session and the level of integration and co-operation demonstrated between NHS Grampian and local authorities through the three health and social care partnerships in the area. We believe there is an opportunity to highlight this as good practice. To what extent are you sharing this experience and working practices more widely?

Social Prescribing

During the discussion, we were encouraged by the focus on social prescribing, early intervention and prevention. Pamela Dudek, of the Moray Health and Social Care

Partnership, reported that around 4 per cent of the Integrated Joint Board spend was on social prescribing activities¹. Could you provide detail of the range of activities this covers, together with an indication of how this will be shown in accounts and annual reports?

We would also welcome further detail from Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnerships on level of spend on social prescribing activities, together with any resulting impact seen across NHS Grampian.

I would be grateful for a reply by Friday 31 January 2020.

Yours sincerely



Lewis Macdonald
Convener, Health and Sport Committee

¹ Health and Sport Committee. [Official Report](#), 17 December 2019, Col 38.