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Dear Mr Jones

ATISN 15097 – Peer review on the RT-PCR test for the diagnosis of Covid 19

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 23 April. You requested the following:

To confirm the date the peer review was drawn to the attention of the First Minister Mark Drakeford, to inform Welsh Government policy

Our response

The Technical Advisory Cell provides coordination of scientific and technical advice to support Welsh Government decision makers during emergencies. Therefore, although not formally presented to the First Minister, I am able to confirm that the peer review paper was forward to the Technical Advisory Cell for consideration on 23 April 2021.

Next steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,

Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeanette Warren". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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