

The Rt. Hon. Steve Barclay MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care 39 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0EU (by email)

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Dear Steve,

I hope you are keeping well.

We wrote to you in May expressing our concern at the proposed transfer of children's cancer services from St George's Hospital in Tooting to the Evelina in central London, and are disappointed not to have received a response from you.

Our previous letter outlined that St George's has 25 years of experience in delivering children's cancer care; that removing this service from St George's could have a significant impact on other vital services at the hospital; and that parents of children with cancer have expressed that travelling to hospital by car is much safer than public transport.

Since then, we have heard from more local parents who are worried about the proposals. We have also been very concerned to hear that parents consulted with so far in the process feel that they have not been sufficiently listened to.

As the public consultation is expected to open shortly, we would like to request an urgent meeting with you on this subject, so that we can fully explain our concerns, and those of the local families who have contacted us about this.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes,

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