

## **OPIN-2008- 0026 - Supporting People with Familial Hypercholesterolaemia**

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### **Supporting People with Familial Hypercholesterolaemia**

This Assembly recognises the problem of Familial Hypercholesterolaemia, a genetic condition that causes premature heart disease; and acknowledges an estimated 6,000 FH patients in Wales but 4,800 remain undiagnosed and untreated.

- Notes that Standard 2 of the Cardiac NSF states that "services should be developed for detection of patients with familial hypercholesterolaemia, including 'cascade testing' and offered lifestyle advice and appropriate treatment to reduce their risks."
- Welcomes the nurse led pilot in Bro Morgannwg and Cardiff and the Vale NHS Trusts
- Supports developing a Wales-wide cascade screening service to diagnose people and families with FH.

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