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**Re: Cover Letter Questionnaires**

Dear service user,

Thank you for completing the questionnaires.

We want to let you know you why your collaboration is so important to us.

First of all, when you complete the questionnaires they help us to be able to support you better. More widely they are also important in furthering research to develop a better understanding of how best to support young gender diverse people who come to our service.

One of the reasons for handing out the current questionnaires is that we are part of a collaborative group of specialist gender services in Europe who work together. If we can collect the same information, we can compare outcomes between countries and are able to build up an evidence base more quickly. However, because of the differences between gender clinics within Europe, some of the questionnaires might be a bit difficult to understand or the language used might be a bit outdated. These questionnaires were however agreed upon by this collaboration. At the current time, we are actively looking to change the questionnaires with our colleagues abroad.

In the meantime if you have any comments or questions please do let us know.

We appreciate your understanding,

Yours sincerely,



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