

# Working for Better Healthcare



“Wales is the birthplace of the NHS and we are rightly proud of that contribution. The NHS in Wales today is one in need of renewed leadership. Plaid Cymru wants the Welsh NHS to be at its best, for staff and for patients.”

*Elin Jones* AM, Spokesperson for Health

**Healthcare affects us all, old and young. That's why we want the best care to meet everybody's needs. Plaid Cymru's ambition is for a genuinely world class Welsh National Health Service. To achieve this we need to train and recruit more doctors, nurses and other health workers and to invest more in our hospitals and ambulances.**

## Plaid Cymru has worked for Wales

- Plaid Cymru has consistently opposed the removal of crucial life saving services from local hospitals due to staff shortages.
- In January 2014 we outlined our proposals to train and recruit an extra 1000 doctors in order to safeguard the future of our NHS in all parts of Wales.
- Plaid Cymru has led the debate on strengthening community based healthcare services to keep chronically ill people out of hospital. In October 2013 we worked to secure an extra £50 million investment from the Welsh Government in specialist services to help prevent chronically ill people needing to attend Accident and Emergency.
- We have outlined proposals for the integration of health and social care, to ensure that our community health services are based on the needs of the patients rather than the organisation.