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NHS Privatisation by the back door

Thank you to everyone who has contacted me with concerns about NHS privatisation by the back door.

For the last eight years Labour have warned about threats of a funding crisis and an increase in unnecessary private investment from commercial companies in our NHS permitted by the Conservative Government. I believe that the NHS and all public services need to be more, not less, integrated. The NHS faces ever-mounting challenges and the Conservative cuts only seem to be making these challenges worse. Increased privatisation is not the solution to these problems and will end up unfairly affecting the most vulnerable and disadvantaged.

Many people have also contacted me with their concerns that an increasing number of NHS trusts in England are attempting to create wholly owned subsidiary companies to deliver services. I share these concerns and I have added my name to EDM 802 on 'NHS wholly owned subsidiary companies'.

I believe in a NHS that puts people before profit. Labour created the NHS. It is our proudest achievement and we remain committed to keeping the NHS in public hands.

Thanks again to everyone who has contacted me about NHS privatisation.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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