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Dear Speaker

I am writing to you today to apologise for, and correct, some factual inaccuracies I inadvertently made in speeches in the Assembly on 30 September and 4 November 2013.

On 30 September during the debate on Exploitation of Children and Young People Hansard records that I stated:

"Some of the young people are now adults and cannot be subject to a case management review".

This statement may be wrongly interpreted. It is correct that most young people to whom I referred are now adults. However, if they suffered harm while they were children in the care system, some may meet the criteria for Case Management Review.

On 4 November during the debate on the International Mental Health Centre Hansard records that I stated:

"Members also talked about a multiagency approach. We have a strong voluntary sector in mental health. It receives funding of £6.76 million each year. So, that is something that we are practising. We are still developing our mental health services, and much needs to be done."

The figure for funding to community and voluntary sector for mental health services is actually £676k.

I am copying this letter to all Members and will place a copy in the Library.

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