

# ME in Politics

## **ME WALES UPDATE**

### **From ME Support in Glamorgan (MESIG)**

Julie Morgan assembly member for north cardiff attended our support group meeting in cardiff in November 2012. This was off the back of a meeting with Christalla Davies in a local surgery.

Several members let Julie Morgan know how they have been affected by the condition and some issues were raised around the lack of services and understanding and knock on affect with trying to get benefits etc.

Julie invited us to speak in the Welsh Assembly, as she felt other assembly members needed to hear what we were saying. We were asking for an ME clinic with a team of people led by a consultant, all trained in ME.

March 21st, the meeting took place. 12 assembly members turned up and we did a powerpoint presentation. Assembly members were visibly moved and some pledged their support. We have been invited back every 6 months.

April 25th, four of the assembly members present put our points forward to Lesley Griffiths the Health Minister  
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Mesig held AGM/Awareness event 19th May. Julie Morgan came along and voiced how impressed she was with the Welsh Assembly presentation. Julie reiterated that we have her full support. We had a Naturopath to speak and a pilates teacher who is keen to work with chronic conditions or disabilities at the event.

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