

I am writing in respect of your review of the prescription of ADHD medication. The current system is unsustainable and putting patients at risk.

There is no sensible reason why ADHD medication should only be prescribed by a psychiatrist. It is of course appropriate to require a diagnosis by a psychiatrist but, once a patient has been properly diagnosed, the sensible approach is for the GP to have responsibility for repeat prescriptions.

That is how it works in the UK and there is no issue with that system. There are already enough obstacles for ADHD patients - the waiting list for a diagnosis, the lack of psychiatrists who can assess and treat patients, ADHD is excluded from most health insurance policies - without creating additional barriers.