<u>Jonathan Ashworth response to PM's</u> comments on the NHS

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Ashworth MP, Labour's Shadow Health Secretary, responding to the Prime Minister's comments about the NHS being 'better prepared for this winter', said:

"Yet again Theresa May reveals how entirely out of touch she is. Next, she will

be trying to lecture patients that 'nothing has changed' for patients.

"The

reality is we see hospitals at full capacity, ambulances backed up, cancelled operations and patients waiting for hours on trolleys.

"Instead of

burying her head in the sand, Theresa May needs to explain why she has allowed

underfunding and cuts to health and social care to continue. As Tory MP Sarah Wollaston said this morning, the Government needs to get a grip."

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