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Importance: High

David/ NR at the December meeting of the Health Protection Advisory Group, Marion gave a presentation on high consequence infectious diseases. I attach a copy of [REDACTED] the draft minutes of the meeting (issue was discussed at agenda item 5). Whilst the presentation as drafted proposes an exercise to see how we would handle a case in West Wales this was essentially tested by recent events where had two welsh residents from West Wales who were low risk contacts of the Monkeypox case – at the planning meeting with PHW and WAST to confirm how we would respond to one or both residents becoming unwell it became clear that we were not adequately prepared for such an incident. You will see from the minutes of the meeting there is some urgent work to be done to provide the necessary assurances that NHS Wales could effectively respond to a case or cases of high consequence infectious disease anywhere in the country. As professional adviser for health emergency planning and policy lead for health emergency preparedness you clearly need to be fully involved of these discussions and so I will look to arrange a meeting in early January to discuss further.

Thanks

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