

Paper 2 Dashboard – Pandemic Influenza Readiness Board Work Stream Updates (Last Updated: 21 November 2019)			
Work Stream	Progress since the last meeting	Next Steps (including key milestones)	Key Risks / Issues
<p>1 – Health Care</p> <p>(SRO: Chloe Sellwood, NHS England)</p>	<p>Progress has slowed due to extended sickness of the NHS England Pandemic Flu Lead, EU Exit activities and the re-organisation of NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE/I).</p> <p>A draft strategy has been developed and shared with the DAs and Royal Colleges for comment in February 2019.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft strategy to be signed off internally for publication when required. • Consideration of the communications around the proposals/ guidance. • Further development of the service facing guidance that will be published when needed. 	<p>Further major incidents in London / nationally that divert resources from this work (eg ongoing waste incident).</p> <p>Competing demands on key NHSE/I staff.</p> <p>NHSE/I change of priorities to focus on winter and EU Exit over coming six plus months.</p>
<p>2 – Community Care</p> <p>(SRO: NR DHSC and Chloe Sellwood, NHS England)</p>	<p>Progress on the community healthcare side has slowed due to extended sickness of NHSE Pandemic Flu Lead, EU Exit activities and the re-organisation of NHSE/I.</p> <p>The NHS community care aspects will be captured in the output of WS1.</p> <p>Work is ongoing to develop robust data. DHSC will take</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extreme surge aspects of community health care is being incorporated into the NHSE/I service facing document described under WS1. • Ongoing work as more reliable baseline data becomes available over the coming months/ year to be able to better model 	<p>Further major incidents in London/ nationally that divert resources from this work.</p> <p>Competing demands on key NHSE/I staff, ADASS and local authorities.</p> <p>Competing demands on Adult Social Care staff including post-election work on adult social care</p>

	lessons from EU Exit work (data and operational) and, in line with prioritisation decisions for 2020/21, will look to refresh the Pandemic Flu plan accordingly.	the potential impact on this sector	reform and provider difficulties. NHSE/I change of priorities to focus on winter and EU Exit over coming six plus months.
3 – Excess Deaths (SRO: NR CCS)	Workshops have been held for Body Disposal, Body Transport, Body Storage, Coroners and Prisons along with a consultation period on Registration and Medical Certification of Death.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First draft of the reworked framework is awaiting internal comments before distribution to working group for comments. 	<p>The planning framework will provide a more coherent basis on which to plan excess deaths capabilities. However, concerns remain that capabilities in some areas are likely to be significantly below the planning assumptions.</p> <p>Competing demands delaying the work stream.</p>
4 – Sector Resilience (SRO: NR CCS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There has been no further work on this work stream as the statements of preparedness are finalised, and it was agreed that the sharing of the business checklist should be paused as a result of the need to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sharing checklist with stakeholders and Board at the appropriate time. Mainstream the process for regularly reviewing and updating the statement of preparedness. 	EU Exit continuing to divert resources from updating the statement of preparedness.

	communicate other risks, including EU Exit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following EU Exit, there may be benefit in reviewing the statements of preparedness, to take into account preparedness work undertaken for no deal. 	
<p>5 – Cross Cutting Enablers</p> <p>Legislative (SRO; Cheryl Cavanagh, DHSC, CCS)</p> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">NR</div>	<p>DHSC clauses and supporting documentation complete including explanatory note and assessment of impacts. Updates will need to be considered once all DA clauses received.</p> <p>Four nations high level stakeholder engagement & handling plan complete.</p> <p>Work ongoing by the Devolved Administrations to complete their clauses and supporting documentation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revised Bill to be circulated with DA clauses received to date. DAs to finalise and submit outstanding clauses and supporting documentation. 4 nations Bill to be finalised alongside supporting documentation. Legislative Consent Motions (LCM) procedures to be completed Submission to ministers post General Election (most likely new year) 	EU Exit has, and continues, to divert DA and legal resource away from work required to complete the Bill

<p>Communications (SRO: NR)</p> <p>NR DHSC Comms)</p>	<p>Pandemic Influenza Public Health Communications Strategy content signed off by the four UK CMOs in May 2018. Work stream then paused.</p>	<p>DHSC Perm Sec to consider the proposed Comms Strategy at one of his regular pan flu catch-up meetings in early 2020. Next steps to be identified at that meeting including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • if/when to seek ministerial agreement on Strategy • production of Concept of Operations document to outline the comms command structure and responsibilities of different stakeholders during a flu pandemic. <p>Provisionally aim to have work stream completed by April 2020.</p>	<p>EU Exit and new ministerial priorities could continue to divert resource away from this work stream.</p>
<p>Moral and Ethical (M&E) Advisory Group (SRO: Cheryl Cavanagh, DHSC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEAG established and introductory meeting held on 25 October. MHCLG advised on faith representatives. • Remit expanded to cover two scenarios: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - response mode i.e. where advice is likely to be sought 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalise the ToR and associated documentation following first meeting. • Consider holding a MEAG 'exercise' to work through a number of moral, ethical or faith scenarios, ahead of 31 	<p>Too many calls on MEAG which either they do not have the capacity to respond to or DHSC does not have the capacity to 'service'.</p>

	<p>in an emergency to support incident response - planning mode i.e. as part of general emergency preparedness planning such as for a flu pandemic</p> <p>DHSC have suggested to MHCLG that they no longer need to co-sponsor the Group given the expanded remit. Response awaited.</p>	January 2020 EU Exit deadline.	
Year 2 workstreams			
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Refreshed 2011 UK Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Strategy (SRO: Cheryl Cavanagh, DHSC)	<p>Review of 2011 UK Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Strategy complete and commission sent in November 2018 to stakeholders requesting relevant sections are updated. A number of updates received. Not taken on board as workstream paused.</p> <p>Aware of the need to reignite this workstream.</p>	Aim to review and publish refreshed Strategy during 2020.	Insufficient capacity of key partners to update the Strategy during 2020.

<p>Restructure of the Online Pandemic Influenza Documentation/Guidance on GOV.UK and Resilience Direct (SRO: Cheryl Cavanagh, DHSC; NR CCS)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This work stream was paused as a result of EU Exit. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalise consultation on proposed updates to location of guidance; • Liaise with Resilience Direct Knowledge Hub to plan the Pan Flu Document Restructure. Aim to complete during 2020. 	<p>Resource restrictions before, and leading up to, EU-Exit in January 2020</p>
<p>LRF Pandemic Flu Standard (SRO NR CCS)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The consultation on the Pan Flu Standard has been completed and comments incorporated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publish on Resilience Direct (expected to be completed by the end of December) 	<p>Resource restrictions before, and leading up to, EU-Exit</p>