

Short ToR for public use

To consider the impact of C-19 on NHS capacity, social care capacity, public health and other health and social care provisions and make decisions to drive the Government's response to that impact.

Long ToR for internal use

The Healthcare Ministerial Implementation Group will focus on:

- policy interventions to protect public health, including monitoring and implementation of current interventions, and consideration of any future interventions;
- oversight of NHS capacity;
- social care preparedness, notably ensuring capacity in the critical care system for those worst affected; and
- medical and social support for those to whom we will be providing the shielding intervention.

It will report to the daily PM-chaired C-19 meeting and COBR, and will meet as required to ensure a coherent approach to monitoring developments, communications, crisis response and policy.

In particular the Healthcare Ministerial Implementation Group should oversee and make decisions on behalf of the Government on:

- policy interventions (and the thresholds for using them) for public health, the NHS and health and social care provision. This will include monitoring the implementation and efficacy of existing and future measures;
- NHS capacity;
- the healthcare supply chain;
- the preparedness, capacity and functioning of the social care system and consider interventions needed to manage risk and support effective delivery of critical care;
- the assessment of intelligence and analysis on impacts on the NHS, public service providers, including with regard to future delay measures;
- the Government's public health communications strategy, and agree communications to the NHS, health sector and social care sector, as part of the central HMG communications strategy. It should consider and advise on each department's plan for contributing to public health, and engaging the NHS and public service providers;
- our crisis management and plans to respond to urgent health and social care developments, in collaboration with the SAGE Committee;

- the development and implementation of the package of medical and social support for those to whom we will be providing the shielding intervention, i.e. the 1.4m most clinically vulnerable.

As necessary, this Ministerial Implementation Group will escalate cross-cutting, strategic decisions to COBR for collective decision making and/or the daily PM-chaired C-19 meeting for strategic steers.

The Healthcare Ministerial Implementation Group will meet on both an England-only and UK-wide basis, with Devolved Administration participation depending on the agenda for each meeting.

Management Information

Each meeting will be provided with updated copies of the following documents:

- COVID-19 Dashboard
- Budget implementation tracker
- NHS and social care performance data
- Core comms script and engagement plan

Secretariat Arrangements

The Cabinet Secretariat will secretariat the meeting.

Frequency

The Healthcare Ministerial Implementation Group will meet as required.