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Hi David,

Thanks for your email. I'm just picking this up for our office.

It's worth noting that PHE's disparity review is due to be published by the end of this week. Therefore, I'd be surprised if they were able to incorporate disability into the review now, without delaying publication (clearly not desirable).

CMO agrees that this would be a sensible/useful piece of work but (like you) I don't quite understand why it needs to come through our office. I think it would be reasonable to have this as a separate piece of work, to come out shortly after the disparity review but not be part of it. This would allow time for some thorough analysis (not rushed) and would give opportunity for PHE to look at the wider impacts of COVID-19 on those with disabilities, as you've suggested — maybe including some qualitative data etc. I don't think this would necessarily fit well within the disparity review in its current form and therefore makes the case for a separate strand of work. Furthermore, it will allow the Minister's office to feed in directly with PHE, rather than having our office as the go between.

I understand that the request for it to come through CMO is from PHE themselves but maybe you could lay out the above to them and see if they agree? Happy to have a chat if easier.

Thanks,

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Action: MSC requested if it were to be possible to obtain data to identify if there is an excess death situation.

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Apologies for the scatter gun approach.

We have been asked late this week by MS(C) to look at adding disability (and in particular LD and autism) formally to the scope of the review work that is being done to look at the differential impact of covid19 in some groups in the population.

I know you are aware of the stakeholder interest in this issue which has led I think to the minister's interest. I also know that the work on reviewing the LeDeR data will be helpful here (and that autism is much more difficult given paucity of data).

I wondered what might be possible in terms of extending scope? (and equally if there would be a formal process to explore doing that?)

We've been asked to update the minister by close of Tuesday next week – any thoughts ahead of then would be very welcome.

Best wishes,

Dave.

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