

**Relevant publication scheduled for Thursday 15 October**

- Two days after the roundtable, the NIHR is due to publish a report looking into Long COVID. We understand that it will include fairly critical case studies of people who claim they were given incorrect advice by NHS 111, having been told that they probably did not have coronavirus as they did not have a persistent cough. Elaine Maxwell of NIHR, who has led this work, will be attending the roundtable.

**You could ask her to share key insights from the report and cite today's roundtable as evidence of HMG's commitment to progress in this area.**

**SAGE**

- Cabinet Office has indicated to SAGE that there is considerable interest in commissioning SAGE to look into long-term health impacts of Long COVID. This would link to the National Core Studies work on longitudinal health, led by Nish Chaturvedi, who has been invited to the roundtable.

**You could ask her to update on her work so far.**

**Research**

- UKRI has not yet committed funding to support further research and DHSC is pushing them to do so.

**You could ask [Name Redacted] DHSC Head of Research Liaison, to explain the current situation and future plans in relation to research.**

**NICE commission**

- NICE received a referral from NHSE/I on 30 Sept to produce 'Long term effects of COVID-19 - Guidance for the management of patients'. They expect to publish at the end of November/beginning of December. Dr [Name Redacted] Programme Director of NICE, will be attending the roundtable.

**You could ask her to update on their progress and expected timescales.**

**Clinical Case Definition**

- Steve Powis has been asked by CMO to lead a Task and Finish group to develop the clinical case definition.

**You can ask Steve to update on this work, including timescales.**

**6. Communications**