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Dear all

Given the technical problems I thought I would just outline some areas that had been highlighted in advance / today's call would have been more about issues and risks than an update from organisations.

I'm also mindful to ensure these important calls retain a pattern that allows you to focus on planning and preparation for your organisations than be over disruptive.

1. Care home sector approaches to admissions - Albert has taken up the concerns raised including care homes adding an additional requirement for a negative test result at a time when the testing regime and capacity does not do this. We will issue some clear sector advice to care homes and services and will ensure this reflects the up-to-date professional: clinical guidance not just local interpretations. I'm concerned that refusal of admissions will even more impact on our system at a time when we need to expand more into care home environment. Also that one of system principles set last Friday was about expedited discharge of vulnerable patients.
2. Social sector access to Ppe - I know there is a particular issue for domiciliary care. We need to ensure our Ppe guidance is appropriate to the role and setting and similarly the supply of Ppe. If individuals makes their own decisions about Ppe the supplies do not exist to support this. I'm speaking to Neil later on his supplies assessment but we need to communicate how social care Ppe is being distributed but also with clear criteria - we can release some pandemic stocks which is in hand but there is not a finite capacity and we do need to protect the specialist end of the pathway but