

[28/03/2020, 19:34:37] Chris Whitty: Simon Stevens is very nervous of sending out the itu guidance now. He thinks it will cause a major storm and be misinterpreted, and if it is to be done it should be owned by the profession (eg the academy) rather than the nhs or government. I think there is a logic on the ownership, and I certainly agree it is reasonable we do not promulgate in advance of need. Which would imply slowing it down for now; our principle aim is to make sure these kinds of choices do not need to be made.

[28/03/2020, 19:38:44] Jennifer Harries: I have 'ceased' it Chris and spoken with [NR] sent letter round to wider group too

[28/03/2020, 19:44:27] Michael McBride: Yes. Right call.

[28/03/2020, 19:45:01] Cath: I've spoken just now to Michael and Frank and we agree. I'll put an email in system now

[28/03/2020, 19:56:23] Chris Whitty: Ok all agreed

[31/03/2020, 16:58:56] [NR] All. Have just sent you a letter on clinical trial enrolment that intend to send to the system. Would like your support on it. Could you take a look. Many thanks.

[31/03/2020, 17:11:59] Michael McBride: Done & replied. [NR]

[31/03/2020, 17:12:12] [NR] Thanks Michael. Much appreciated.

[31/03/2020, 17:35:30] Cath [NR] content. I'll email now

[31/03/2020, 17:37:32] [NR] Great

[01/04/2020, 15:24:36] [NR] Hi all. Susan Hopkins has sent you the final PPE guidance (14.17). Please can you clear when possible

[01/04/2020, 15:52:57] Michael McBride: Received and considering. M

[01/04/2020, 15:55:20] Cath: In a meeting. Can look at 3.45

[01/04/2020, 16:32:07] Frank Atherton: Yes; content from Welsh perspective on basis of clear commitment to UK wide procurement. Will email later. F

[01/04/2020, 19:16:11] Michael McBride: [NR] CNO and I content from NI perspective. M

[01/04/2020, 19:27:11] [NR] Thank you all for the swift clearance. The plan is to publish it tomorrow at 12. I understand our comms teams have been speaking today so hopefully all goes smoothly

[02/04/2020, 15:38:04] [NR] Hi all. Aidan has sent an email at 13.32 on distribution of testing.

[03/04/2020, 18:05:35] Gregor Smith: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-clinical-advice/>

[03/04/2020, 18:06:34] Gregor Smith: Clinical guidance cleared by legal and published today. We also have an ethics framework to deliver UK advice from MEAG if useful.

[03/04/2020, 18:12:12] Gregor Smith: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-ethical-advice-and-support-framework/>

[05/04/2020, 11:51:20] Cath: All -to be aware. I had a few hours off but this was clearly an error of judgement. I am issuing an apology now.

Coronavirus: Calderwood under fire over second home visit

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-52171694>

[05/04/2020, 12:45:06] Frank Atherton: Saw that earlier; worst of tabloid journalism. Don't let them get to you. F

[05/04/2020, 13:16:19] Chris Whitty: Agree

[05/04/2020, 13:28:10] Jonathan Van Tam: I find it deeply dispiriting to hear of these kinds of things. You are doing a fantastic job and we all know it. JVT

[05/04/2020, 15:05:45] Cath: It's not good. Calls for me to resign. I will try to ride it out.

[05/04/2020, 15:31:08] Frank Atherton: Who on earth do they think is going to do the job? It'll all be forgotten in a day or two; best just ignore social media til dust settles. We all agree with JVT!

[05/04/2020, 15:37:01] Gregor Smith: Thanks Frank 🙏🙏🙏

[05/04/2020, 16:32:20] Michael McBride: Ignore - I've had worse over the years. Comes with the role. Keep standing up on the inside.

[05/04/2020, 17:44:27] [I&S] You've done an amazing job for Scotland and the UK. It's so disappointing to observe such a disproportionate and self defeating reaction.

[05/04/2020, 18:12:22] Jennifer Harries:and I was about to give you a hugely positive professional shout out but got timed out of response by SoS....

[05/04/2020, 18:17:45] Chris Whitty: Agree Catherine you have done a grand job for Scotland in a really tough time. And for us as a collective.

[05/04/2020, 18:22:44] Cath: I may not manage to survive it I'm afraid.