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**Subject:** FW: close settings meeting  
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**Importance:** High

Here is the PHW note of the meeting. I will do a covering note for Albert and Andrea and share with them.

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Dear Colleagues

I have attempted to summarise our discussion through the themes and actions agreed.

We will need a clear policy steer / instruction from WG colleagues, notably in areas where current scientific advice/ evidence may not be consistent with actions.

I sense that we need a follow on meeting again next week.

**Information for action**

**Action 1:** PHW and CIW to work together to ensure that all are working from a single, consistent set of data and information in relation to care homes ( including confirmed, possible cases of COVID -19, test results and care home fatalities). **Lead PHW/CIW**

**Action 2:** PHW/WG working with local partners to ensure that there is proactive follow up and summary reporting ( to be defined) of information/ epidemiology for care homes at local and national level across Wales. **Lead PHW with WG CMO division**

**Testing**

Discharge of patients from hospital to care homes

**Action 3:** WG Policy officials verbally outlined a clear request/ policy instruction from CMO/ Director of Social Services and Integration for the testing of non – COVID 19 patients prior to discharge from hospital to care home setting. This would be consistent with approach being taken in England. See letter and action plan attached. WG to confirm the policy decision an communication. **Lead WG policy officials**

**Action 4:** Agreed that this needed to be contexted by the scientific evidence and suite of public health actions ( already identified in guidance/ Wales guidance) to minimize spread of COVID -19, which do not currently support this action. This all to be communicated in information and advice to care homes. **Lead: WG policy Officials**

**Action 5:** Discharge of patients from hospital with a confirmed diagnosis test of COVID -19, after 14 day period. Advice to continue with existing approach in guidance of NOT testing prior to discharge. Clear communication to care homes as to reason. WG officials to confirm policy position for Wales. **Lead WG policy Officials**

Testing of residents in Care Homes

**Action 6:** Continue with current guidance to test residents in care homes to confirm incident/ outbreak and implement recommended control measures. NB This to be undertaken in accordance with local home circumstances, so that each home receives ' appropriate testing' arrangements to support actions. WG to confirm position in communication. **Lead WG policy Officials**

**Action 7:** Assurance is provided (linked to action 1) that all care homes identifying possible COVID- 19 cases are receiving appropriate and timely support for testing. **Lead PHW with CIW**

Testing of Staff in Care homes

**Action 8:** Continue with current process for testing, informed by local arrangements ( continuously under development) and ensure clarity and consistency of advice to staff. Additional guidance for key worker testing to be approved by PHW 17/04/20 which will inform. Lead PHW ( Incident Director)

#### **Wales Guidance**

**Action 9:** To retain current guidance, review and update as required so consistent with revised policy position and updated guidance from DHSC/PHE. Appropriate links on PHW website required. Updates to be made to facilitate referenced in planned WG communication on Monday 20/04/20. **Lead PHW/WG**

**Action 10:** Review current ' information and script for Environmental Health Officers to ensure clarity and consistency of information provided, in line with updates above. **Lead PHW / WG/ EH lead**

#### **Communication to Care Homes**

**Action 11.** Planned communication to Care homes from WG to be delayed until Monday. **Lead WG Policy Leads**

#### **Use of Environmental Health skills**

**Action 12.** Linked to actions above, further clarity given on role and best use of skills in supporting care home settings. Can be further informed by wider conversations on next phase of COVID 19 response. **Lead WG/PHW/ EH leads**

#### **Cofion/ Regards**

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**Where:** Skype Meeting

**Importance:** High

Meeting attendees

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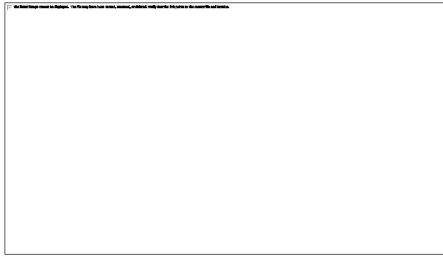
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