

MEETING NOTE

TITLE/ORGANISATION:		CMO Call – Tuesday 9 June 2020		
VENUE:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stormont Castle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER:	Zoom
LIST OF ATTENDEES:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minister	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spad	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS	FM, dFM, Minister Swann, Michael McBride (CMO) Ian Young (CSA)	
OFFICIALS:	Donal Moran, PPS			
OTHERS:				
KEY POINTS DISCUSSED:				
<p>FM & dFM indicated that planning for Thursday's Executive was progressing and that they were aiming for a managed structured meeting. They requested some guidance on the Bubble concept, Face Coverings and Informal Childcare.</p> <p>Minister Swann indicated that R is currently between 0.5 and 0.7 and today was the third day with no deaths. The general mood music is good but that we need to be cautious in terms of easing restrictions.</p> <p>Evidence of the 'Bubble Concept' is emerging from NZ. Can be hard to police and manage.</p> <p>CMO advised of risks and benefits associated with meeting indoors with guidance being used to minimise the risks.</p>				

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CSA has looked at the idea of 'bubbling' and modelling around behaviours. Everything in the bubble takes on the risk of the most exposed person in the bubble. No need for social distancing within the bubble. Personal responsibility essential – need to limit external contact to protect those in the bubble. SAGE are moving to a 2 household concept which would pose relatively little risk.

FM raised concerns regarding Mental Health and Child Care.

dFM indicated that informal Child Care needs to be addressed.

Agreed that 'Family & Friends Networks' paper would address indoor meetings.

dFM raised a query regarding Physios. CSA advised that the risk is now relatively low and unlikely to get lower in absolute terms so may be possible to do things now.

CMO indicated that we are getting 40 positive tests/day So the likelihood of encountering the virus in a random encounter is circa 1/5000.

Agreed to meet again tomorrow evening before the Executive on Thursday.

ISSUES AGREED:

ACTION POINTS / OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE:

A 'Family & Friends Networks' Executive paper to be drafted.

A further CMO meeting on 10 June 2020.

NOTE WRITTEN BY:

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