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Attachments: Submission - advice on specific care homes - May 2020.docx

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exhibit 5.

From: Lee, Mark (DfE) <Mark.Lee@economy-ni.gov.uk>
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See further advice to the Minister from Jennifer, following up on his request below. With thanks to Lourda for input.

Mark.

From: Mooney, Jennifer
Sent: 15 May 2020 20:29
To: DoH Minister <minister@health-ni.gov.uk>; DoH Private Office <Private.Office@health-ni.gov.uk>
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Minister

Further to the emails below, please see attached an initial overview of these homes. I've been in touch with RQIA and the three Trusts concerned and will provide more information as soon as I can as well as a more detailed assessment of each of the homes against the six risk factors identified by RQIA. However it's worth noting that all but one of the homes have more than 40 beds and all have been registered within the last 10 years. Four out of the six homes have had two or more managers since registration.

RQIA has confirmed it carried out site visits to Ringdufferin and Glenabbey on 30 April, as a result of concerns about the adequacy of care provided to service users, and governance. RQIA has advised that it did not identify any issues requiring escalation. I have asked for more detail on the inspections and its intelligence on the other four homes.

Northern Trust has advised that The Cottage has been stepped down to low intervention and is currently recovering from the outbreak. The staff group are stable and IPC measures are well established. They have contacted PHA before arranging a terminal clean and Trust will continue to support for next week. Both Glenabbey and Carrick Manor are stable and recovering well.

Glenabbey is currently well into its recovery plan. They have had no further positive cases for 10 days and there are no clinically unwell residents. The Home is getting a full staff/ resident reswabbing early next week and if results come back negative, the home hope to complete terminal clean and return to green. The Trust has reduced its level of support & intervention accordingly.

Carrick Manor had its 14th CV death on Wednesday, however, it currently has only 2 positive residents and no residents are end of life. The Trust cleaning team and family Liaison service finished today. They are day 10 COVID free and hope to have terminal clean next week with aim to being classified green next week also.

The South Eastern Trust has provided significant support to Ringdufferin in recent weeks to manage the outbreak there. It has provided 135 hours of staffing cover, over the last three weeks a senior nurse and district nurse have been based in the home full-time, and the Trust's enhanced care at home team has been carrying out healthcare assessments for all residents. In addition, the Trust has supported enhanced cleaning and its infection prevention and control team has provided additional support to the care home.

In response to allegations made about discharges to the home from hospital, the Trust has reviewed all discharges made to the home prior to the revised testing protocol. It has confirmed that no patient was discharged to the home from hospital wards where Covid was known to be present.

The Belfast Trust has provided further information on the range of supports it has provided to any home with an outbreak, including Care Home Nursing Support Team (CHNST) and specialist MDT inreach 7 day support, enhanced environmental cleaning and advice on IPC measures, Care Home Review Team with key workers aligned to each home to provide advice and support to families and carers, psychological support and redeployment of Trust staff. I will follow up with the Trust for more information on its assessment of the two homes referenced below.

I'll provide more information as soon as possible.

Regards
Jennifer

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From: DoH Minister

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Also is there any commonality across these 6 homes, owners/RQIA status etc?

regards,

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Minister of Health

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From: DoH Minister

Sent: 15 May 2020 13:59

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Importance: High

Hi,

Please see below – data supplied today, shows 110 deaths across **6 carehomes**, at this stage roughly 40%, can we take a hands on approach to these homes, over and above what we are already doing as 4 out of the 6 are still seeing additional deaths.

Also I want all residents and associated staff with these 6 homes tested as soon as possible.

regards,

Robin Swann MLA

Minister of Health

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From: NR

Sent: 15 May 2020 13:43

To: DoH Minister <minister@health-ni.gov.uk>

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Minister

To note email below and attachment.

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From: NR

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Private Office

Please see attached a report we have received from the RQIA which reports deaths of residents in care homes for the period 01 March 2020 – 13 May 2020.

6 care homes remain of particular concern in terms of the high number of deaths of residents reported during this period. Previous care home stats received were for the period 01 March 2020 – 06 May 2020; have annotated the changes over the past week for the 6 homes highlighted below.

➤ Carrickfergus Manor	15 deaths	no change
➤ Cairnmartin Court Care Home	17 deaths	+1
➤ Glenabbey Manor	20 deaths	+4
➤ The Cottage	18 deaths	+2
➤ Our Lady's Home	19 deaths	no change
➤ Ringdufferin	21 deaths	+1

Dermott Parsons from RQIA is planning to speak to the press about care homes deaths this afternoon.

We are developing advice iro care homes deaths for the Minister.

NR

Muckamore Abbey Review Team

Ext I&S

Following several requests in relation to information on notification of deaths reported to RQIA from registered nursing and residential care homes, please find attached an Excel spreadsheet containing data on all homes across Northern Ireland.

This covers all nursing and residential care homes in NI which have reported deaths to RQIA, occurring between 1 March 2020 and 13 May 2020.

The attached spreadsheet includes:

- Name of Home (with RQIA Registration Number)
- HSC Trust Area
- Service Type: Nursing Home / Residential Care Home
- Provider
- Maximum Approved Places
- Total Count of Reported Deaths for this time period (1 March 2020 to 13 May 2020)
- Totals for each of the three reporting sub-types:
 - G1.1: Expected
 - G1.2: Unexpected
 - G1.3: Flu-like Illness (FLI), pneumonia, lower respiratory infection
- A count of new deaths reported in the last 7 days (in this case from 7 May 2020 to 13 May 2020)
- The increase or decrease in the numbers reported from 1 March 2020 to 13 May 2020, compared to the same time period in 2019
- Suspected or confirmed COVID / FLI Outbreak in the home (as checked against the PHA Outbreak List of 13 May 2020)
- A trend graph (included on worksheet 2) which shows the daily count of reported deaths compared to the same period in 2019.

This spreadsheet covers deaths notified to RQIA up to Wednesday 13 May 2020.

When considering this data, please be aware of the following:

- Notifications to RQIA are self-reported by registered providers;
- Providers should notify those deaths which have occurred within the home setting - however, we are aware that some providers may have recently also reported deaths occurring in hospital;
- Notifications can only be validated for accuracy and correct coding at the point of being reviewed by an inspector;
- There can be a time lag of several days between a death occurring and the notification being reported to RQIA.
- Please note that this information is provisional and may change.
- It has been agreed regionally that the official source of information in relation to deaths is NISRA.

This information is for internal use by your organisation and should not be shared externally.

The next report will be issued on Thursday 21st May 2020.

Kind regards,

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