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**Subject:** RE: (FT) Meeting with Lord Bethell to discuss Immuno-compromised and vaccine antibodies

Hi everyone,

Please see a readout of the meeting with Baroness Brinton, Lord Walney and the blood cancer charity representatives on Wednesday.

**07/07/2021**

**Attendees:** PS(I), [NR] Jonathan Van Tam, [NR] Baroness Brinton (BB), [NR] [NR] David Hayward, Lord Walney, [NR] [NR]

**Action:** JVT and PS(I) to discuss with colleagues and Ministers about who could fill the role of SRO on the immunocompromised.

- PS(I) introduced and noted his commitment to this issue.
- JVT made introductory remarks and summarised the key issues in this area. He noted that covid will remain prevalent in the population, and that therefore those who are immunocompromised and CEV are concerned. JVT noted the upcoming readout from the OCTAVE study in September, and noted that the JCVI will likely prioritise the immunocompromised for booster vaccinations.
- JVT noted the ongoing work on prophylactic antibodies.
- BB thanked JVT and noted that she would like to run through the issues in the paper she had sent up.
- BB noted that she would like to know who the clinical lead is for this work? Who is leading the policy on how to protect the immunocompromised? Is there a responsible Minister?

- PS(I) noted that he has had several meetings with Lord Mendelsohn and the charities represented on this call, as has Minister Zahawi, and noted that he is committed to this agenda.
- JVT added that he believes that there is a requirement for a clinical lead on the immunocompromised. This person needs to be able to pick up work on shielding, therapeutics, antibodies, and the vaccine agenda. There currently isn't anyone who is able to step into this space, and this is something that needs to be fixed. There needs to be further discussion with Ministers, but there is currently a gap.
- **NR** noted that we have to live with this virus, and there is a need for a clear strategy from Government about how we can support CEV individuals in the long term- such as mental health support and guidance for employers. This issue cuts across many areas in terms of employment, benefits, and financial support as well as medical support.
- JVT agreed and noted that the Government offer is not yet clear enough for the immunocompromised. There has been pressure to tackle the immediate issues of the virus, but now this issue is coming to a head, and it needs to be tackled.
- GP noted that on the issue of communication from Government- there are those living with conditions who are not in frequent contact with their GP. We need more widespread communication to immunocompromised individuals.
- PS(I) noted that this is why data sharing is vital, as this is the only way that we can know who we need to contact. PS(I) asked for GP's support on the GP data agenda.
- GP agreed that she would be happy to support this.
- JVT noted that there is a communications package coming from PHE that will be important in this space.
- BB noted that another key concern of the groups represented on the call is the lack of communication with the immunocompromised. People in this position feel as though they are being left behind by government policy, and would like reassurance from the Government.
- PS(I) said that this message was received loud and clear, and that the team recognises the challenge and that he and JVT would discuss this in more detail.

Many thanks,

**NR**

**NR**

| Private Secretary

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### Box times for Lord Bethell: Mon-Thurs 2pm, Friday 12pm

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** **NR** On Behalf Of DHLordsDiary

**Sent:** 29 June 2021 12:04

**To:** DHLordsDiary; Lord Bethell; **NR**; 'BRINTON, Baroness **Not Relevant** **NR**  
**NR** MENDELSON, Lord; WALNEY, Lord; MORGAN OF COTES, Baroness; **NR**; Hayward, David; Taylor, Charlotte; **NR** Van Tam, Jonathan

**Cc:** TherapeuticsTaskforce; Antivirals Taskforce; **NR**  
**NR** Shielding Policy

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**When:** 07 July 2021 10:30-11:00 (UTC+00:00) Dublin, Edinburgh, Lisbon, London.

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