

CLEARANCE CHECKLIST

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Note: Contact names provided must have seen and approved the submission.

Finance:

Does this involve any spending or affect existing budgets?

If yes, named official:

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No

Legal:

Does this include legal risk, a court case or decisions that can be challenged in court?

If yes, named official:

No

Communications:

Could this generate media coverage, or a response from the health sector?

If yes, named official:

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No

Analysis and data fact-checking:

Does this include complex data, statistics or analysis?

If yes, named official:

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No

Devolved Administrations:

Will this affect Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland?

If yes, named official:

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No

Fraud:

Have you considered fraud risks?

If yes, named official:

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No

Commercial:

Does this include commercial or contractual implications?

If yes, named official:

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No

Strategy Unit:

Does this relate to cross-cutting or longer-term implications for wider DH strategy?

If yes, named official:

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No

Implementation Unit:

Does this relate to one of the Secretary of State priorities?

If yes, named official:

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No

Legislation:

Does this include options that may require secondary legislation?

If yes, do you have a prioritisation reference number? (*contact Parly or SOPL if unsure*):

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No

Duties, Tests and Appraisals:

The following tests apply and have been considered.

Secretary of State Statutory Duties, including on health inequalities

Public Sector Equality Duty

Family test

Other(s) (please specify)

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Medium term strategy to ensure continued availability of Oxygen, Ventilation and Medical Consumables including procuring a stockpile of Covid-19 related ICU consumables

Issue	<p>In order to ensure future Oxygen, Ventilation and Consumable availability over the next 12 months, further work is required now in advance of any strategic, long term rebalancing.</p> <p>The measures are supportive of, but do not necessarily resolve, broader supply disruption events, for example other High Consequence Infectious Diseases (HCID) and the upcoming end of EU Exit transition period.</p>
Timing	Routine (five working days)
Recommendation	<p>This submission recommends that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- steps to ensure processes and response systems created for the first surge in Covid-19 demand remain available, and are enhanced for use in, future surges;- the creation of a consumables stockpile containing products deemed at highest risk of shortage in coming months; and- work to develop a long term strategy to reduce reliance on the global supply chain in line with the cross government Project Defend work.

Issue

1. Covid-19 has presented an unprecedented set of challenges on the Oxygen, Ventilation and Critical Care Supply Chains. Demand for specialised treatments has increased significantly and rapidly whilst in parallel the global economic shutdown caused by the virus has materially reduced supply. Emerging evidence and responsive changes in clinical practice have also created significant uncertainty around requirements, exacerbating these challenges.
2. During the first surge of Covid-19 the Oxygen, Ventilation, Medical Devices and Clinical Consumables Programme has delivered a wide range of activities