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Subject: RE: Residential Settings Guidance

Margaret, we have stuck to the PHE technical content and believe this is the right thing to do. This content has been well thought through. If we do not get these people back out into the community our hospitals will not be able to cope with the demands being placed upon them. The guidance covers the requirements on the home to minimise the risk of spread.

I am getting multiple enquiries from people asking for the guidance. It really needs to go out today. I think the risks of not getting it out are now greater than getting it out as it is.

Please can we all agree that it is now good enough to go out.

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Hi all,

I am sorry, we would not be happy to brand this as CIW as it currently stands. The majority of the content of the guidance is exceptionally useful and I think care homes really do need it. However, we are concerned about the section on discharge (as currently drafted) and believe the approach needs to be thought through, in particular the messages around accepting residents who have been discharged from hospital with Covid 19. I appreciate the guidance mirrors the approach being taken in England but we feel we need to pause and reflect on whether this is the right approach for Wales.