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**Subject:** RE: Advice letter to care homes

Hi all, thanks for all the work on this. I've been seeing lots of emails editing various versions. Whilst it's key to get it right, can I please ask that the letter can be concluded to go out **today**. There is an increasing level of urgency and it's taking quite a time to agree whilst care homes are desperate for guidance.

Many thanks and please let me know if I can do anything to help it be concluded and issued by cob today.

Best wishes  
Tracey

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Hi all,

I understand a new version of this was sent around this morning. I am not sure if it is in my inbox. However, I was working on the version sent yesterday which I have attached here.

In general, my feeling is the tone of the guidance is very much about care homes accepting people being discharged from hospital and it may feel very much like we are saying you must take people. I feel this would be more accepted if the tone was more about - here is some guidance on how to care for people in this period and as part of that you may be admitting new people from hospital. Here is some guidance on how to manage them in a care home setting who are confirmed as having Covid 19.

You will see I have inserted some wording around the requirement for providers to be satisfied they can meet people's needs before they agree to provide a service to them.

I appreciate I have moved things around a lot and others may have views. I am conscious of time and I think it needs further tweaking.

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Thank you, **NR**.

Yes please, we would favour more comprehensive guidance covering the relevant issues in one place as far as possible. As you indicate it needs to be suitable for the Welsh context. I think a Wales equivalent of the PHE guidance would be very helpful. Timing will be important because as you know the queries from the sector are increasing.

Let me know how I can best contribute.

Many thanks and best regards

Alison

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Thanks Alison, In the meantime we will do some further work on pulling together a Welsh version of the PHE guidance – would that be helpful?

**NR**

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**NR**

I've been advised that the Deputy Director General, Albert Heaney, favours a more comprehensive approach in terms of the advice which is to be issued to care homes. He will not be signing the proposed letter for issue today.

Albert is busy on calls at the moment and so not available to discuss further today but I will speak to him on Monday.