Thanks Stuart,

Emma has looked and said still outstanding comments (sorry if version control issues).

Namely for the paper:
- Setting out more on what we know about why people aren't getting boosters
- Aligning testing on dom care - clarifying the timelines on resolving this
- Can we QA all contingency plans

For SoS:
- An update for SoS on where we are on the workforce surge plans, particularly the option of training and deploying civil servants. Happy to have this in email form today if easier.
- Looking at the track changes, perhaps some confusion over staff movement guidance. Advice did come up last week and was then withdrawn on this. Does SoS need advice imminently on this?

Thanks all,

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NR

Please find attached a further draft. This develops further the version sent up by NR last night (which was responding to initial feedback from SpAds, received on Saturday morning) and seeks to address Emma's more detailed comments on Friday's version. The one point from Emma that I've not reflected is the suggestion that central Government should look to quality assure the contingency plans of all (150+) LAs as, having discussed with colleagues, we think this will take too long (given the pace of Omicron and the available resource), is unlikely to add much value (from this distance) and would transfer risk to the centre (if we are seen to have provided endorsement). Happy to pick up that point tomorrow, in discussion, if helpful.

Let me know if you need anything further this evening.

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