

## SGoRR – Meeting

6.00 – 7.00 Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

### **Key Areas for Discussion**

#### **1. Current Health update – CMO or DCMO**

<https://www.hps.scot.nhs.uk/a-to-z-of-topics/wuhan-novel-coronavirus/>

#### **2. Health & Social Care Preparedness**

Meeting is being arranged in relation to additional cost pressures in health and social care to ensure co-ordinated approach. NHS Board have been sent mobilisation plans to include costs across the sector.

Good partnership working across the system to develop actions in key areas relating to;

- Workforce
- Supplies
- Guidance and Information

Critical areas being reported are in relation to workforce capacity and demand on services. Access to personal protective equipment is still critical.

#### **3. Schools & Education**

School Closure: Partnership working with SOLACE and ADES and Scottish Government has resulted in the approach being taken to provision for vulnerable children and children of key workers being largely based on light touch guidance from Scottish Government which allows local flexibility in how provision is made. The same flexibility applies to identification of key workers being cognisant of national guidance. Councils are working hard to put in place provision as soon as possible in the coming days

COSLA are currently working on producing guidance and seeking political agreement on payments continuing for private and third sector nursery providers even though they may be closed.

Officers are also working with Directors of Finance and SOLACE to respond to concerns that School transport providers will be at risk if contracts are not maintained

#### **4. Children's Hearing system**

The Scottish Children's Reporter Administration (SCRA) has taken the step of cancelling all notified hearings this week and will address such cases today (Monday) via remote/virtual hearings. Panel members have been invited to protect the current position ie keeping orders in place and holding the status quo. They are being asked to defer cases until such time as proper consideration can be given in a safe and manageable way.

SCRA and CHS have communicated this to local teams. COSLA are working with SWS and SOLACE to agree a communication for political agreement which identifies