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Subject: Notes from Four Nations SROs meeting 20.01.2021

Dear all,

See below minutes from last week's SROs meeting.

Four Nations SROs meeting 20.01.2021

Attendees: [redacted]

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- **Wales:** Over 50% care home residents and more than 80% staff vaccinated. Wales are releasing daily statistics on breakdown of cohorts from Thursday. Workers involved in the manufacture of AstraZeneca will be vaccinated by the end of the week. Border issues are still being resolved for vaccination of Welsh residents in English hospitals and care homes. EL noted that this is an IT issue that was resolved at the COVID-19 Vaccine Deployment Programme Board on Monday.
- **Scotland:** Moving to daily reporting including a breakdown of figures soon. DG noted lots of scrutiny and comparisons between nations. Ministers are finding supply a difficult issue as no access to figures but opposition colleagues appear to have them.
- **Northern Ireland:** NC noted the media are trying to find stories of programme anomalies.
- **England:** EL noted some noise expected in the media next week as some GPs receiving no supply while penetration of cohorts is evened out, though noted overall narrative is positive. There is a lot of comms work planned for next week to reflect diverse communities getting vaccinated – including Bedford Gurdwara and a Mosque in Manchester. EL noted that Eleanor Kelly from Southwark Council has joined the programme for 3 months to embed the local authority angle of the programme. England are to begin vaccinating prison cohorts 1-4 next week. As vaccine can't be packed down, deliveries will be kept in prison fridges whilst programme moves through priority cohorts.

- There was a discussion on supply. DG noted that Scottish ministers are not using supply information as it is commercially sensitive however media and opposition politicians seem to have this information. TW noted that the comms agreement across the board was to not use supply information and she will reinforce that. JA noted the need to be able to share some information about supply as very challenging to brief ministers.
- **ACTION: Tessa Walton will discuss comms lines on supply with VTF.**
- There was a discussion on the UK Alignment Board. All noted the importance of alignment and these discussions. All agreed to look at ToR and revisit governance slide to understand how this will fit in but all support setting board up. TW noted that there are weekly meetings on supply with VTF and DAs. GR flagged that the Barnett formula is a concern for Wales.
- **ACTION: DHSC to circulate ToR for UK Alignment Board**
- There was a discussion on phase 2 prioritisation. AW noted that DHSC are working with the JCVI and will share thinking with DAs. There is a need to balance clinical, economic and societal decisions with what is operationally possible. GR noted the need to bring in ethical groups too. NC noted the need to have consistent LTT for lobbying groups on phase 2.
- AOB – RA flagged a number of ransomware attacks currently across the UK. There is a need to ensure effective back-ups are in place for data.
- TW flagged that Pfizer may be formally rolled out as 6 dose vials from next batch but not confirmed yet as waiting for MHRA approval.

Thanks,

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