## An Roinn Sláinte Department of Health Office of the Chief Medical Officer



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## Dear Cillian

Following on from the NPHET meeting this afternoon (10<sup>th</sup> March 2020), to inform national guidance, the NPHET seeks the expert advice and guidance of the EAG in relation to the following:

The criteria on timelines for discharge of patients, with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19, from a period of self-isolation.

As the NPHET is due to meet again on Thursday  $12^{th}$  March 2020, a timely response would be much appreciated.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work and input of the EAG to date and thank you and the wider group for your ongoing support and contributions to the COVID-19 National Public Health Emergency response.

Yours sincerely

Chief Medical Officer