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Dear Liam

Following the teleconference of the COVID-19 National Public Health Emergency Team (NPHE) today, the advice submitted by the Expert Advisory Group dated 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020 on the matter of *Healthcare Workers who are contacts of a confirmed case* (copy enclosed) is accepted.

I wish to bring to your attention, the followed actions, required of HSE as agreed by NPHE:

- ***This guidance will be made available and implemented as interim site specific guidance for Cork University Hospital and University Hospital Limerick immediately so as to ensure the advice can inform current patient care requirements.***

Please ensure that this action is implemented in a timely manner. I have also written to the Health Protection Surveillance Centre (HPSC) and the Expert Advisory Group (EAG), respectively, on the need for the timely completion of the national guidance and advice to inform same so that it can be discussed at the NPHE meeting this coming Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

I thank you for your ongoing support and contributions to the COVID-19 National Public Health Emergency response.

Yours sincerely

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