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Dear Paul,

Arising from yesterday's meeting of the National Public Health Emergency Team (NPHE), I wish to bring to your attention, as Chair of the HSE NCMT, a decision of the NPHE which now requires to be actioned by the HSE and Health Protection Surveillance Centre (HPSC):

The NPHE recommends that the HSE examines the feasibility and develop a proposal, as appropriate, for the inclusion of retrospective contact tracing into the contact tracing process.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the wider team across the HSE for your ongoing support and work across the health and social care services, particularly in response to the increase in cases in recent weeks. Officials from this Department have been and continue to be available to work with relevant HSE staff.

Yours sincerely,

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cc. Dr Colm Henry, Chief Clinical Officer, HSE
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