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Our Reference: 202000037381
Your Reference: request-665294-ff70f860

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Dear Mr Tibbitt,

Re: REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 (FOISA)

Thank you for your request dated the 16th of May 2020 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

Your request

You asked for:

Copies of all guidance and advisory notes issued by your organisation that relates to care home providers from December 2019 to the current date (16 May), including those that have been superseded or withdrawn by more recent guidance.

Response to your request

A search of our records has produced the following results:

- Clinical Guidance for Nursing Home and Residential Care Residents and COVID-19, dated 13 March 2020
- Clinical Guidance for Nursing Home and Residential Care Residents and COVID-19, dated 26 March 2020
- Letter from Chief Medical Officer (CMO), Chief Nursing Officer (CNO) and Chief Social Work Adviser, dated 26 March 2020

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- Letter from CMO and CNO pertaining revised PPE guidance, dated 2 April 2020
- Letter from CNO to NHS Boards about testing in care homes, dated 16 April 2020
- Letter from Director General of Health and Social Care to NHS Boards about enhanced system of assurance in care homes, dated 17 April 2020
- Letter from Interim CMO to GP practices about support to care home residents, dated 17 April 2020
- Letter from Health Secretary to Scottish Care and Coalition of Care & Support Providers about PPE distribution, dated 21 April 2020
- Letter from Health Secretary to Scottish care homes about testing, dated 22 April 2020
- Letter from CMO to GP Practises and Chief Executive NHS Boards about ACP for Vulnerable and High Risk Patients, dated 10 April 2020

The above documents are provided as attachments to this response.

The following documents are also relevant to your request:

- Advice on PPE access for social care providers and unpaid carers, dated 29 April 2020 and available at: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/ppe-access-for-social-care-providers-and-unpaid-carers/>
- Clinical and practice guidance for adult care homes, dated 15 May 2020 and available at: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-clinical-and-practice-guidance-for-adult-care-homes/>

Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your FOI request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by writing to:

Donna Bell
 Director of Mental Health
Donna.Bell@gov.scot

Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made within 40 working days from the date when you received this letter. We will complete the review and tell you the result, within 20 working days from the date when we receive your review request.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. More detailed information on your appeal rights is available on the Commissioner's website at:

<http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Unhappywiththeresponse/AppealingtoCommissioner.aspx>

Yours sincerely

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