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Sent: 23 March 2022 10:35

To: Redacted s40(2) (HSS - Office of the Chief Nursing Officer)

Subject: RE: 20220322 PPE guidance for COVID-19 - briefing for CMO and CNO

Thanks Redacted s40(2),

Have also had discussion with Redacted s40(2) just now and with colleagues from IPC cell. Will discuss further at Cell meeting 1200.

My sense is that this relates to the planned publication of the NIPCM in England and the focus on “transmission based precautions” section which states that droplet precautions required for SARS CoV-2.

I am comfortable with this on the basis that this is the correct level of protection unless other measures of the hierarchy of controls cannot be implemented in full when FFP3 masks are indicated. FFP3 also indicated for AGPs.

Transmission Based Precautions section of NIPCM may also be reviewed soon looking at more of a “spectrum” of transmission – droplet / short range aerosol and long range aerosol – in line with WHO guidance and no change to PPE requirements.

Will advise further as I receive any new information.

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Confidentially sharing the briefing that has just landed essentially saying that PPE is inadequate as transmission is aerosolised droplets. CNOs are meeting this afternoon to discuss, can the IPC cell please review with urgency.

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