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Dear Dai,

I'm writing in response to WQ80258: Will the Welsh Government provide the dates on which any of the recommendations of the New and Emerging Respiratory Virus Threats Advisory Group Committee established by the UK Government's Department of Health relevant to PPE were shared with officials, Ministers or representatives of the Welsh Government or its subsidiary bodies?

As you will be aware, NERVTAG is a UK Government Department of Health Committee of recognised experts who have been advising the Government on national flu policy for many years, as well as other respiratory viral pathogens. Neither the Welsh Government nor Public Health Wales have any direct communication with it.

Decisions taken at NERVTAG are communicated to Welsh Government and Public Health Wales and minutes of meetings are available at [NERVTAG](#).

NERVTAG findings may be discussed at a number of meetings that include members from Wales, including the UK Infection Prevention and Control Cell, SAGE and the Chief Medical Officers.

The minutes confirm where decisions regarding PPE etc. have been made during the meetings. The most notable date in regards to PPE is the update to the UK IP&C guidance on 2 April 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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