Dear Colleague,

We hope this message finds you well.

We are grateful for your continuing support in helping to share information about COVID-19. Below are a few communications updates for you.

Public Health Measures
Ireland is at level 5 restrictions.

You can see the measures in place here.

We ask everyone, for the protection of our friends, family and the frontline, to please stay at home.

COVID-19 Vaccination Programme
The vaccination programme continues to be rolled out nationwide, and more than 280,000 vaccines have been administered. This week we saw the vaccination programme go firmly out into the community, with people aged 85 and over beginning to be invited for their vaccines by GPs. When this group is complete, we'll move on to the next age-group, people aged 80 and over.

HSE COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Control Guidance Webinar for health and social care staff who provide home care visits
(including but not limited to Home Help and support staff, Community Nurses, Medical and Allied Health Professionals)
Friday, 19th February (from 12-1pm)
You can register for the webinar here.
For telephone access, please use the following:
Telephone: 01 5260058
Access code: 181 628 1121

COVID-19 Vaccine Deaf and Hard of Hearing Communications Resources
Irish Sign Language (ISL) videos explaining important information about the COVID-19 vaccine are available here.

Interim Guidance on COVID-19 Outbreaks in Meat Factories in Ireland
You can find the guidance here.

COVID-19 Guidance for Health and Social Care Workers who visit homes to deliver healthcare
You can find the guidance here.

General guide on the management of COVID-19 outbreaks in the workplace
You can find the guidance here.

Public Health Advice for Construction Sector: key points for construction industry in responding to a case of COVID-19
You can find the guidance here.

COVID-19 Guidance for Healthcare Staff in Disability Services
You can access information from this webinar here.

**Current recommendations for the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
in the management of suspected or confirmed COVID-19**
You can find the current recommendations here.

Where to find COVID-19 Vaccination Information
We encourage everyone to read about the COVID-19 vaccine and to get their information from a factual, trusted source – here are the links to the pages with information on the vaccine:

- Check hse.ie/covid19vaccine for information about the vaccine, information on this page is updated regularly
- Find the vaccine information materials at www.hse.ie/covid19vaccinematerials
- Details on getting the COVID-19 vaccine is updated regularly here
- Read the full COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation Strategy
- Read the National Immunisation Advisory Committee Chapter about COVID-19 vaccine
- COVID-19 vaccine information for health professionals

Public Health Information
As always, for the most up to date information and advice on Coronavirus, please go to: https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/ and https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/. Clinical and professional guidance relating to COVID-19 is available on www.hpsc.ie where you'll find up to date guidance for healthcare settings and non-clinical settings.

Please check here for the most up to date partner resources for COVID-19.

You can find the COVID-19 A-Z information here from the HSE's Health Protection Surveillance Centre (HPSC).

Please also check the Healthy Ireland site here with further resources and information on the Keep Well campaign.

You can view the latest information on how Ireland is responding to cases of COVID-19 here.

Ireland's COVID-19 Data Hub is available here.

If your organisation has any requests in relation to COVID-19 public health information materials, please email us at Partner.Pack@hse.ie to let us know.

We wish you good health and wellness.

Many thanks,
Kahlil and Jennifer

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