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Dear Colleagues,

## **REBUILDING HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SERVICES**

Following on from my commitment to update you all following the weekly meeting of the Management Board, please find below my update following the Management Board meeting on Wednesday 22 July 2020 which considered a range of issues.

The Board received an overview of the Cancer Services workstream which set out a Rebuilding Plan to stabilise cancer services in the context of Covid-19. The Board discussed the importance of a workforce plan and the development of clinical roles. The Board agreed the Rebuilding Plan as a basis for moving forward. The Board also agreed that short term actions in the plan should be taken forward as quickly as possible.

The Board received an update on the supply of PPE for Dental Services which I have already agreed.

The Board also received an update on the Service Delivery Innovation workstream which continues to identify innovations and changes in the way services are provided, determining which of those are suitable to be scaled up on a regional basis. The Board considered a number of specific resource requirements to assist this workstream. The members agreed a way forward in respect of the resource requirements and agreed on the key role of data to support this and other workstreams.

I trust that you find this update helpful and I look forward to our continuing discussion on the vitally important work of rebuilding HSC services in the weeks and months ahead.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Robin Swann', is positioned above the printed name.

**Robin Swann MLA**  
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