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Dear Colleagues

The evidence of Covid and other infections spreading among patients and staff has led Management Team to reflect on the risks that arise. Our first concern is patient well-being and for that we are dependent on having staff available in sufficient numbers.

We are saddened that this has occured just at the time when we would all wish to be gathering to enjoy the festive season. Even so, we felt we had to ask all staff to put off, wherever possible, plans for socialising indoors in groups as you might plan to do in normal years. As soon as the risks of staff shortages reduces which we expect to happen early in the new year, it may be possible to relax our restrictions. We do not think it is sensible or responsible to relax them between now and 1st January.

Please give this your urgent and most careful consideration. We are a small team and everyone’s contribution is vital.

Thank you in anticipation.

Chris