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23rd March 2022

Dear Simon,

1. Extension No. 2 to the COVID-19 Public Health Wales Request 2020

- 1.1 I am writing on behalf of **Public Health Wales** to make a Request to the Health and Social Care Information Centre (**NHS Digital**), to amend the Covid-19 Public Health Wales Request 2020 dated 22 April 2020¹ (the **Original Request**). Before making this Request, Public Health Wales has consulted with NHS Digital as required by section 257(4) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012² (the **2012 Act**).
- 1.2 This Request is made under section 255(1) and section 256(2) of the 2012 Act) and comes into force on the date signed.

2. Purpose of this Request

- 2.1 The purpose of this Request is to omit the expiry date in the Original Request as amended by the Extension to Covid-19 Public Health Wales

¹ <https://digital.nhs.uk/about-nhs-digital/corporate-information-and-documents/directions-and-data-provision-notice/nhs-wales-directions/covid-19-public-health-wales-request-2020>, as amended by the Extension to Covid-19 Public Health Wales Non-Mandatory Request 2020 issued on 30 July 2020

² 2012 c.7

Non-Mandatory Request 2020³, and to add a consequential review provision.

3. Amendment of the Original Request

For paragraph 9 of the Original Request, substitute:

“NHS Digital is requested to operate the COVID-19 Public Health Wales Information Systems (the **Requested Function**) unless or until requested in writing by an authorised officer of Public Health Wales on reasonable notice to suspend and/or permanently cease the Requested Function. Such date to be determined by reference to an annual review of the Original Request, with a view to carrying out the first review during December 2022.”.

Your sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'John Lawson', with a horizontal line underneath.

John Lawson

Head of Information Governance

Signed by authority of Public Health Wales

Date signed: 23rd March 2022

³ <https://digital.nhs.uk/about-nhs-digital/corporate-information-and-documents/directions-and-data-provision-notice/nhs-wales-directions/covid-19-public-health-wales-request-2020>