

**From:** [Redacted s40(2)]  
**Sent:** 26 November 2021 16:46  
**To:** [Redacted s40(2)]  
**Subject:** RE: Formal commission for UK IPC cell

Thanks [Redacted s40(2)]

Will respond formally from the cell, but as promised please see attached the WHO document I mentioned.

With best wishes,

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**Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ymateb yn Gymraeg heb oedi.**

**We welcome correspondence in Welsh. We will respond in Welsh without delay.**

**From:** [Redacted s40(2)]  
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**To:** [Redacted s40(2)]  
**Cc:** [Redacted s40(2)] [Redacted s40(2)]  
**Subject:** Formal commission for UK IPC cell

Dear [Redacted s40(2)]

As discussed, following the 4 CNO forum meeting today we are seeking to commission the UK IP&C cell to undertake a review of the evidence and guidance. The review is to include the recent IPC guidance issued this week, together with the recent WHO update and evidence from the airborne transmission group in England in order to offer a perspective on whether we need to consider universal enhanced respiratory protection in healthcare settings.

We are also seeking a view on the reasons why we should not adopt the precautionary principle with a view to FFP2 masks for all staff with the exception of where AGPs are undertaken. Given the emerging variants, respiratory and winter viruses and increased staff absences- your expert view would be most welcome to inform our position.

With best Wishes

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**Chief Nursing Officer**

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