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Dear

Freedom of Information Reference: FOI-2023-000332 – IPC guidance documents

I refer to your freedom of information request that we received on 06 September 2023 requesting the following information.

I am assisting with some research into the IPC guidance which was extant during the latter half of 2022.

has copied me your very helpful email with the final version of the respiratory addendum before it transitioned back to NIPCM.

As you rightly pointed out, as part of the transition arrangements some of the IPC requirements for COVID-19 transferred across into the NIPCM at Appendix 22.

I have version 1.0 of appendix 22 (attached), and I can see from other sources that appendix 22 was still extant on 18 November 2022, by which time it had become version 1.4. However, I am unable to access a copy of it.

- 1. Despite your helpful direction to the Scottish Government Archives, I am unable to find versions 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4 please would you be so good as to provide copies of these?
- 2. I note that you offered to provide copies of the community addendum which includes GP practices, which was first published on 7 January 2021 and unpublished on 29 November 2021. Would you please be so good as to provide these documents too.

I can advise you that we have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

In response to Question 1, please find attached the following appendices as requested:

- A1 2022-09-16 Appendix 22 v1.2
- A2 2022-10-04 Appendix 22 v1.3
- A3 2022-11-18 Appendix 22 v1.4





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Chairperson Chief Executive Keith Redpath Mary Morgan In response to Question 2, please find attached the following appendices as requested:

- A4 -2021-01-07 COVID-19 Community Addendum v1.0
- A5 -2021-01-25 COVID-19 Community Addendum v1.1
- 2021-03-31 COVID-19 Community Addendum v1.2 A6 -
- A7 -2021-07-08 COVID-19 Community Addendum v1.3 2021-08-25 COVID-19 Community Addendum v1.4
- A8 -
- A9 -2021-08-31 COVID-19 Community Addendum v1.5
- A10 2021-09-15 COVID-19 Community Addendum v1.6

I trust you will find the information of assistance and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request, you can make representations to us asking us to review the handling of your request. Please write to the

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or at the email address nss.foi@nhs.scot within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.

If after a review you are still unhappy, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at Kinburn Castle, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, or via their online application form.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me at the above address.

Yours sincerely

