
Director General for Regulation

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Dear Iain

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) INFECTION SURVEY STATISTICS

Following conversations with your team, I am happy to confirm the exemption from the Code of Practice for Statistics' standard publication time of 9.30am to permit a later release time of noon each Friday for statistics from the COVID-19 infection survey.

This new time allows additional time for preparing and assuring the quality of the release and messaging which is important as the complexity of the analysis grows. I welcome the team's commitment to keep the release time under review as the survey continues to evolve.

Yours sincerely



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