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Dear Hannah, Andrew, Sandra and Andrew

Appraisal and mandatory training

We are writing on behalf of Community/Public Service dentists employed in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

You may well be aware the response to Covid 19 is having a serious impact on community dentists. None are undertaking what could realistically be termed 'normal' duties and some are likely to be redeployed into the wider NHS.

As such, we would like to request that appraisal and mandatory training requirements be suspended for all those dentists employed on the SPDCS/Community Dental Services/ Scottish Public Dental Service/Community Dentists contract until 26 September 2020 at the earliest.

We would like this to be agreed as soon as possible so that we can inform members and remove a concern they may have to engaging fully in the NHS' Covid 19 response.

Yours sincerely

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