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Dear David,

Thank you for your letter of 28 January about financial support for capital expenditure to improve ventilation in the Community Dental Service. I appreciate the essential work which the Community Dental Service undertakes and the additional challenges posed by the pandemic.

For clarification the additional funding I made available for 2021-22 and the recurrent resources for 2022-23 is revenue funding only. However Health Boards do have the flexibility to utilise it to meet local needs and improve access. That can be in the Community or General Dental Services.

In terms of capital funding, Health Boards receive discretionary capital that is allocated directly to them for priority areas. The issue of ventilation is not a matter just for dentistry and Health Boards are working to improve ventilation across their estate. It is for individual Health Boards to consider their requirements with necessary input from clinical directors including those in the Community Dental Service.

Yours sincerely,

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