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Dear Ruth

I am writing to update you about the NHS integrated planning arrangements.

Due to the current and ongoing COVID-19 challenges, the decision has been taken to pause the IMTP process. This means that we are unable to consider your final IMTP submission for 2020-2023 as the assessment process cannot be concluded at this point.

You currently have an approved plan for 2019-2022 and this approval is extant.

Pausing will mean that your organisation can continue to focus its attention on the immediate actions required in the coming weeks and months. In due course, at a more appropriate time, we will discuss with you any further implications for this year's submission and the next planning cycle. I know this will be disappointing given the work and effort that has gone into finalising an IMPT, but I want to allow resources to be redirected to sustaining key services.

Thank you to you and your teams for the commitment and support you continue to provide.

Yours sincerely

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