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Dear All,

ADULT DAY SERVICES AND RESPITE SERVICES SURVEY

Adult day services and respite services have a crucial role in supporting the people who use them, as well as to their unpaid carers and families. I want to take this opportunity to restate my appreciation for the hard work of staff who have supported those with care needs throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

It is vital that these services return to pre-pandemic capacity wherever possible, while operating safely in line with Covid-19 guidance. However, I am aware that some services are continuing to operate at reduced capacity, or have not re-opened at all.

In order to establish a Scotland-wide understanding of the current capacity of these services, and to identify the barriers to re-opening, I am requesting that you complete a survey of registered day services and respite services in your area.

This will give us a better insight into the challenges around re-opening and capacity and in turn, inform the development of future Scottish Government policy advice and guidance in relation to day services and respite services.

We are working to update the guidance for day services on the Scottish Government website and my officials will issue this to you separately in the next few days.

The proforma for the survey will accompany this letter. I would be grateful if you could return completed survey forms by email to ASCAS@gov.scot by 17 June 2022.

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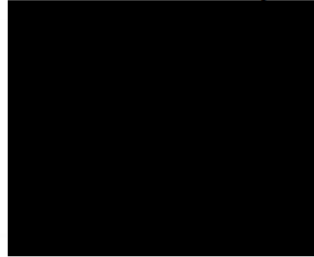
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Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,



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