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Further Covid funding 2021-22

Following the recent submission of your Quarter 3 financial returns, I am writing to confirm further funding of £981 million for NHS Boards and Integration Authorities to meet Covid-19 costs and to support the continuing impact of the pandemic. This funding is being provided on a non-repayable basis and includes provision for under-delivery of savings. While I anticipate that funding will be allocated in line with **Annexes A and B**, it will be a matter for NHS Boards and Integration Authorities to agree any revisions where appropriate to take account of local circumstances.

Within the overall funding outlined above, £619 million is being provided for Integration Authorities, which includes funding for a range of Covid-19 measures. The significant disruption to services has created a backlog of demand as well as increasing unmet need and frailty of service users. Investment is needed across day care services, care at home and to support unscheduled care, to keep people within the community, where possible and safe to do so, to avoid unplanned admissions and impacts on delayed discharges. Alongside this is the impact on mental health and services have been stepped up through, for example, Mental Health Assessment Units. This funding will also cover sustainability payments to social care providers and additional staff costs across Health & Social Care.

Where funding remains at year end 2021-22, this must be carried in an earmarked reserve for Covid-19 purposes in line with usual accounting arrangements for Integration Authorities, and I expect that this funding to be used before further allocations are made through the Local Mobilisation Planning process. This can be used to support continuation of costs which were funded in 2021-22 as a direct result of Covid-19. Use of these allocations to meet Covid-19 expenditure should be agreed by the IJB Chief Finance Officer and the NHS Board Director of Finance. The funding should be targeted at meeting all additional costs of responding to the Covid pandemic in the Integration Authority as well as the NHS Board.

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Any proposed utilisation of the earmarked reserves to meet new expenditure that had not been funded in 2021-22 will require agreement from the Scottish Government, and it will remain important that reserves are not used to fund recurring expenditure, given the non-recurring nature of Covid funding.

Thank you for your support and engagement during 2021-22 and I look forward to continued close work with you as we take forward plans for 2022-23 and beyond.

Yours sincerely

Richard McCallum Director of Health Finance and Governance







Annex A Funding by Board Area

Further Covid-19 Funding (£000s)	Health Board	HSCP	Total
NHS Ayrshire & Arran	14,420	42,765	57,185
NHS Borders	7,471	17,575	25,046
NHS Dumfries & Galloway	13,997	16,146	30,143
NHS Fife	20,947	43,961	64,908
NHS Forth Valley	7,531	32,355	39,886
NHS Grampian	7,533	55,697	63,230
NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde	88,484	132,917	221,401
NHS Highland	10,947	37,604	48,551
NHS Lanarkshire	15,121	68,810	83,931
NHS Lothian	31,641	114,566	146,207
NHS Orkney	2,575	3,746	6,321
NHS Shetland	999	3,620	4,619
NHS Tayside	2,441	45,355	47,796
NHS Western Isles	1,608	3,887	5,495
NHS National Services Scotland	118,110	-	118,110
Scottish Ambulance Service	11,326	-	11,326
NHS Education for Scotland	- 1,909	-	- 1,909
NHS 24	-	-	-
NHS National Waiting Times Centre	5,436	-	5,436
The State Hospital	-	-	-
Public Health Scotland	3,071	-	3,071
Healthcare Improvement Scotland	- 176	-	- 176
Total	361,573	619,004	980,577

Please note these figures represent the total funding across several allocations (PPE, Test & Protect, Vaccinations and General Covid Funding). A detailed analysis will be provided to each NHS Territorial Board setting out the split across Board and Integration Authorities.



Annex B Total Funding by Integration Authority

Integration Authority	Further Covid-19 Funding £000s	
East Ayrshire	14,143	
North Ayrshire	15,891	
South Ayrshire	12,731	
Scottish Borders	17,575	
Dumfries and Galloway	16,146	
Fife	43,961	
Clackmannanshire & Stirling	16,819	
Falkirk	15,536	
Aberdeen City	24,317	
Aberdeenshire	19,675	
Moray	11,705	
East Dunbartonshire	9,930	
East Renfrewshire	14,781	
Glasgow City	73,130	
Inverclyde	10,370	
Renfrewshire	16,964	
West Dunbartonshire	7,741	
Argyll & Bute	11,881	
North Highland	25,724	
North Lanarkshire	32,102	
South Lanarkshire	36,708	
East Lothian	13,537	
Edinburgh City	70,314	
Midlothian	9,506	
West Lothian	21,209	
Orkney	3,746	
Shetland	3,620	
Angus	11,843	
Dundee	16,784	
Perth & Kinross	16,728	
Western Isles	3,887	
Total	619,004	

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