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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 October 2014 15:58
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: UK Heads

Hi [REDACTED],

The Scotland Report for the UK Heads meeting next week is attached for your comments/additions prior to being circulated with the agenda for the meeting.

Thanks

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Oxygen Therapy Services

The oxygen therapy service now supports over 7500 patients across Scotland; backed up by clinical support, respiratory clinicians and respiratory nurse specialists within all health boards.

Preparation of the tender for the service is now nearing completion and stakeholder engagement is now complete. Initial discussions have been had with all UK oxygen providers, including BOC, Baywater, Air Liquide, Dolby Vivisol and also with the Department of Health who manages the Framework for the provision of the service in England and Wales.

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Atlantic Quay, Glasgow**

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 November 2015 17:21
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Subject: UK Heads meeting

Dear All,

Please find attached agenda and paper for the UK Heads meeting at 3.30pm tomorrow. Copies of these papers will be available at the meeting.

Kind regards

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A new contract has been awarded to Dolby Vivisol to provide Home Oxygen Services for the next 5 years. The new contract will see a better range of new equipment provided to patients. Changes to the contract will see the introduction of a new web based prescribing system, providing clinicians and finance managers with up to date real time information on their patients and oxygen usage. Dolby will also provide the holiday service and will take over the electricity reimbursement process directly, which will improve payment timescales.

As a result of the retendering, significant cost reduction has been achieved and we expect in the region of £2m annual saving once the new contract is fully implemented. The contract is currently being rolled out on a phased basis across Boards. NSS are continuing to liaise with prescribers to move them over to the new service. It is anticipated that the transition to the new service will be complete by the end of 2015 with the IT system being introduced in the early part of 2016.