## **Y Pwyllgor Cyfrifon Cyhoeddus**

Welsh Parliament

## **Public Accounts Committee**

Dr Andrew Goodall

Director General Health & Social Services/NHS Wales Chief

Executive

24 August 2020

Dear Dr Goodall

## **Procurement of Personal Protective Equipment**

In preparation for the Committee's evidence session on 14 September on Public Procurement with Andrew Slade, Members requested that the procurement of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) be covered in the session. I am aware that this issue does not fall within the remit of the Economy, Skills & Natural Resources Group, but there will be some areas of ESNR activity that relate to the broader subject of PPE procurement which will be covered as appropriate in the evidence paper.

As such, I would welcome your observations of the procurement of PPE, specifically during the Covid-19 public health emergency and procedures for procurement during the recovery stage and building stocks for future use in all health and social care settings. I appreciate that the recent report by the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee (HSCS) contained a number of recommendations on PPE but it would be appreciated if you can respond to the PAC Members' concerns or if you feel more appropriate, ensure I receive a copy of the Welsh Government's response to the HSCS Committee Report.

It would be appreciated if your response could be received by 8 September to enable Members to consider it with their papers for the meeting on 14 September. I apologise for the short deadline.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Ramsay MS - Chair

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