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Dear Parents and Colleagues

Like NHS organisations across the country, we are actively supporting the delivery of the life-saving Covid19 vaccination programme.

We have been tasked with leading the roll out of the large scale public vaccination centres across Cambridgeshire, Peterborough and Norfolk and have recruited hundreds of people to these vaccination teams. Given the need to vaccinate as many people as possible, as quickly as possible, some NHS staff are being redeployed on a temporary basis into the vaccination teams. This includes a number of our own children's therapy staff.

Please be assured that our services will remain open, but inevitably at a reduced level. We will discuss with you and use our clinical judgement and risk assessment to prioritise support for the most vulnerable children and young people, endeavouring to support those with EHCPs.

Regrettably, during this temporary period, we will not be able to maintain our link therapists for schools and therefore all urgent queries should be made via our duty desk number (0300 029 5050). This number will continue to be open to all users of our services. All questions, concerns or queries received will be passed to a therapist who will contact you to discuss your query and offer support within 1 - 2 working days.

Please be assured of our commitment to the health and wellbeing of the children, young people and families we support. We will keep these temporary arrangements under review in the coming weeks as we contribute to the national public health endeavour to help the country move out of lockdown and return to some level of normal.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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