

RE: Special Schools Testing Programme

Dear Principal

As you are aware the Education Authority has been working in partnership with the Public Health Agency to develop a programme of rapid testing for staff and pupils in special schools. This programme will be delivered in partnership with the School of Pharmacy in Queen's University Belfast. We have enclosed two documents with this letter for your information. The first provides a detailed overview of the programme and the second is a PowerPoint presentation that can be circulated to staff to provide them with initial information on the programme.

We are expecting testing kits to be provided to all schools over the next 2 to 3 weeks. EA transport will deliver them when we receive them from QUB. In the meantime we will continue to keep you updated. We will issue further detailed guidance, including some more information on administrative processes and support; and specific detail around how testing will operate in your school.

If you have any initial queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely



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