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Dear Colleagues

Adapted day services for adults

We know that you have been working to ensure social care support is maintained throughout this difficult period to ensure the safety, dignity and human rights of people who already receive support and their unpaid carers.

We appreciate that a number of individuals, because of their critical needs, have been receiving important building based support as part of their care package.

These modified supports within locality services will have been adapted with risk assessments in line with the relevant HPS guidance on IPC and PPE as well as physical distancing (COVID-19 - information and guidance for social, community and residential care settings); and their approach agreed with the local Health Protection team and the Care Inspectorate.

On that basis Scottish Government is in agreement that such support should reopen (or remain open).

We will shortly be writing about next steps in the wider reopening of day care services, including on timescales for development of more comprehensive guidance on day services.

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