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Composite Bulletin:

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1. COVID-19 FAQs

On September 24 we were provided with a document *COVID-19 Schools Community Testing Pathway, FAQ for Schools*. This is a very informative set of FAQs which covers most queries that will arise where there is a suspected case or a confirmed case of C-19. These FAQs might be included on the school website for the benefit of the entire school community. The document is available on our website [here](#).

2. HSELive

When there are questions arising that are not answered by this set of FAQs, it is possible to call HSELive on 1850 24 1850. This service is open Monday to Friday 8am-8pm, Saturday and Sunday 9am-5pm.

3. Email addresses and phone numbers for your local Public Health Department

In addition, Local Public Health Department email addresses and phone numbers are provided for specific COVID-19 emergencies that should be reported by schools. The contact details for the area in which your school is located set out in Appendix 1 below and on the JMB website [here](#).

4. Return to School Parental Declaration Form

While a school should **not** seek a GP certificate for a student returning to school who hasn't been tested for COVID-19 a parent can be asked to complete the form in Appendix 2 to this bulletin. This could also be used where a student has long term symptoms related to a chronic condition such as a persistent chronic cough or asthma. This form is also on the [HPSC website](#) or can be downloaded on JMB website [here](#).

John Curtis
General Secretary
1st October 2020

Appendix 1

For all schools COVID-19 related queries

- please see **FAQs for school Principals**
- For other queries call HSELive on **1850 24 1850**.
This service is open **Monday to Friday: 8am - 8pm, Saturday and Sunday 9am-5pm.**

Public Health Departments Contact Details:

For attention of Principals:

Due to a high volume of calls at present, please only contact your local Public Health Department to alert them to a specific COVID-19 emergency related to your school.

These contact details are for schools only and should not be forwarded to parent groups.

Region	Geographic area covered	Email address (Office and Out of Hours Cover)	Telephone no. Office Hours
East	Counties Dublin, Kildare and Wicklow	Idnotifications.east@hse.ie	Phone: 01 6352145
Midlands	Counties Laois, Offaly, Longford and Westmeath	hprotmidlands@hse.ie	Phone: 057 9359891
Mid-West	Counties Clare, Limerick and North Tipperary	MWnCoV1@hse.ie	Phone: 061 483337
North East	Counties Cavan, Louth, Meath and Monaghan	NEnCoV@hse.ie	Phone: 046 9076412
North West -Donegal	County Donegal	infoid@hse.ie	Phone: 071 9852900
North West	Counties Sligo and Leitrim	infoid@hse.ie	Phone: 071 9174750
South	County Cork	phscovgp@hse.ie	Phone: 021 4927601
South	County Kerry	phscovgp@hse.ie	Phone: 066 7184548
South East	Counties Carlow, Kilkenny, South Tipperary, Waterford and Wexford	COVID19.phse@hse.ie	Phone: 056 7784142
West	Counties Galway, Mayo and Roscommon	Public.Health@hse.ie	Phone: 091 775200

Appendix 2



Return to Educational Facility Parental Declaration Form

Childs Name:	Manager Name:
Parents/Guardians Name:	
Name of Setting:	
This form is to be used when children are returning to the setting after any absence.	
Declaration: I have no reason to believe that my child has infectious disease and I have followed all medical and public health guidance with respect to exclusion of my child from educational facilities.	
Signed _____	
Date: _____	