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**Special Committee on Covid-19 Response,
Leinster House,
Dublin 2
D02 XR20**

Re: Meeting of the Special Committee on Covid-19 Response

Ref: SCC19R-I-0066

15th June 2020

Dear Mr McEnery,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 29th May 2020.

I have attached with this letter, NHI responses on the matters you required details on following the Committee meeting of 26th May 2020.

If you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me or my office.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Tadhg Daly'.

**Tadhg Daly,
Chief Executive Officer**



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**Minister Simon Harris TD,
Department of Health,
Block 1,
Miesian Plaza,
50 – 58 Lower Baggot Street,
Dublin D02 XW14.**

19th March 2020

Re: Urgent meeting/ conference call request

Dear Minister Harris,

I am writing to you to request an urgent meeting/conference call with you to discuss important issues facing the private and voluntary nursing home sector during this crisis. You will be aware we are in constant communication with Department of Health officials, HSE and NPHE.

NHI members provide care in a ‘home from home’ for 25,000+ residents nationwide who are the most vulnerable in our society and this vulnerability is even heightened as we head further in to this COVID 19 crisis.

As you are aware, NHI and our member nursing homes recognise the gravity of the COVID 19 pandemic and remain committed to fully support the Government, our HSE colleagues and civic society in the national response to this crisis.

We are committed to support our members and residents and provide leadership in this challenging and evolving environment in partnership with all stakeholders.

Private and voluntary nursing homes are an effective functioning part of the Irish health system, with a vital role to play in responding to this current crisis. In order to do so, it is necessary for full engagement with the sector to allay any valid concerns and to cooperate fully to minimise the risk to our residents and staff.

We therefore respectfully request immediate engagement to ensure NHI can continue to provide high quality, safe care to the 25,000 residents in the care of our members.

I look forward to hearing from you by return.

Yours sincerely



Tadhg Daly
Chief Executive Officer

cc Minister Jim Daly, Minister of State with special responsibility for Mental Health and Older People
Ms Kathleen McLellan, Assistant Secretary, Department of Health