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Dear Patient,

As you are likely aware the NHS is currently struggling to manage increased demand as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic, and we currently have a reduced workforce. As a result **please do NOT contact us** regarding Coronavirus-related advice about whether you

- 1. are at risk
- 2. should stay at home or go to work
- 3. should have a sick note

The guidance regarding **diagnosis**, **self-isolation**, **and working and travel conditions** is changing on a daily basis and is updated with advice on the GOV.uk website. We therefore recommend that you check this website and / or discuss working arrangements with your employer

https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-governmentresponse

For further advice regarding sick notes, please follow the advice of the UK Government <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-employers-and-businesses-about-covid-19/covid-19-guidance-for-employees</u>

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely

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