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Y Pwyllgor Plant, Pobl Ifanc ac Addysg

Ymchwiliad i effaith argyfwng Covid-19 ar

blant a phobl ifanc yng Nghymru

COV 64a

Ymateb gan: Coleg Brenhinol Pediatreg

ac lechyd Plant Cymru

Welsh Parliament

Children, Young People and Education Committee

Inquiry into the impact of the Covid-19 outbreak on

children and young people in Wales

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Response from: Royal College of Paediatrics and

Child Health Wales

In our letter last week, Dr David Tuthill, RCPCH Officer for Wales, said that we would keep you updated with position statements and / or evidence potentially of interest to Committee members.

Committee members may be interested to note that we have now published guiding principles around safeguarding. This is primarily aimed at paediatricians working with safeguarding teams but the principles may be of interest to members looking at these issues. You can see the document here: https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/resources/covid-19-guiding-principles-safeguarding-partnerships-during-pandemic

Committee members may also be interested in guidance we are developing around talking to children and families about returning to school. Currently, there is more here about England, where children may be returning to school at an earlier date than here in Wales. However, we have included links for the policy context in Wales and the introduction sets out the challenge for parents across the UK and our positon as a College which we hope will be helpful to parents and others.

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