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Dear Dr Nesbitt

RE: PAEDIATRIC FLUID GUIDANCE

Thank you for your further letter of 14 October regarding the modified version of the paediatric parenteral fluid therapy wallchart on display at Altnagelvin Hospital.

I welcome the part that clinicians from Altnagelvin played in the development of the regional guidelines, but I am sure you will appreciate the need for a consistent approach across all Trusts which will both minimise the potential for misunderstandings among clinicians moving between Trust areas and promote familiarity with one wallchart.

I will however write to RQIA, enclosing both of your letters and a copy of the amended wallchart for its consideration, and requesting that it liaise directly with the Trust with a view to resolving this issue to the satisfaction of all parties.

I will ensure that you are copied in to this letter.

Yours sincerely

DR MICHAEL McBRIDE
Chief Medical Officer

