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<b>Subject:</b>	Protocols for critical care services during the pandemic
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**Requested:**

The WHO guidance requires health boards to formulate policies/protocols to ensure continuity of service for critical care during COVID, NHS Wales just echoes the WHO guidance.

I am requesting copies of these policies/protocols.

**Response:**

Having undertaken a search of policies and protocols developed following receipt of national guidance during the COVID-19 pandemic, Hywel Dda University Health Board has provided a copy of its 'Intensive Care COVID-19 Escalation Tool', which was completed by medical staff when transferring a patient to the Intensive Care Unit for critical care treatment, together with its approved cover sheet, at Attachments 1 and 2.