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NHS PAY REVIEW BODY (NHSPRB) REMIT 2017/18

I wish to begin by conveying my thanks to the NHS Pay Review Body (NHSPRB) for its work on the 2016/17 pay round and to offer my apologies for the delay in submitting last year's remit and evidence. My Department values the work of the pay review body and its important role in making recommendations on the remuneration of Agenda for Change staff.

I write to confirm the approach of my Department in respect of the NHSPRB 2017/18 remit and would advise that it is our intention to submit evidence for the pay round before the end of September 2016 and to seek recommendations by mid February 2017 on pay for Agenda for Change staff employed in Health and Social Care (HSC).

The NI Executive has endorsed the principle of adherence to the UK Government's public sector pay policy and, therefore, any proposals will be constrained by HM Treasury's calls for continued pay restraint and indeed the continuing financial challenges within HSC.

I am copying this letter to the Secretary of State for Health in England, the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Wellbeing and Sport in Scotland and the Minister for Health, Social Services in Wales and Staff Side representatives.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michelle O'Neill'.

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