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URGENT MESSAGE TO:

1. Directors of Pharmacy
2. Medical Directors NHS Boards

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Dear Healthcare Professional,

COVID THERAPEUTIC ALERT – WITHDRAWAL OF THE RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSIDERATION FOR INHALED BUDESONIDE AS A TREATMENT OPTION FOR COVID-19

Please see attached CMO letter advising the inhaled budesonide should no longer be considered as a treatment for individuals with COVID-19 infection other than within the context of a clinical trial for onward transmission as detailed below:-

Could all Directors of Pharmacy please forward this alert to:-

- Community Pharmacists
- Hospital Pharmacists
- Primary Care Pharmacists

Please could Medical Directors arrange to forward this alert on to:-

- General Practitioners
- Accident & Emergency Departments
- Nurses
- Consultants in Communicable Diseases
- Directors of Public Health
- Relevant Clinics
- Chief Executives of NHS Board

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

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