

Title: COVID-19: contraception\_- re-introduction of sub dermal implant for at risk group

For information: GP Practices

#### KEY POINTS

- Sandyford has re-introduced sub dermal implant (SDI) fitting for those individuals who have been assessed as being at risk of unplanned pregnancy due to clinical need or vulnerability
- This group includes: young people under 25 years; those within a year of childbirth or abortion; or, those in whom any other method is unsuitable.
- Following Faculty of Sexual & Reproductive Health Guidance, expired implants should **not** be removed if this appears to be difficult or will add significant face to face time with the client.  
[HERE](#)
- In these circumstances, women will be offered an insertion in the opposite arm and advised to contact the service for removal at a future time when services are fully available.

Further updates can be found on our Sandyford website accessed [HERE](#)

Email query service: [gg-uhb.sandyfordprofessionalsupport@nhs.net](mailto:gg-uhb.sandyfordprofessionalsupport@nhs.net)

Sandyford will provide a limited service during the Covid-19 pandemic until further notice:

Sandyford is continuing to provide an emergency contraception service. Contact for this service is on 0141 211 8130.

Abortion service continues as normal with home medication delivered to patients. 0141 211 8620