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To Whom it May Concern:

Dear Employer

Your employee is self isolating for 14 days as per advice from the Government on 16.03.20.

They either have symptoms of Covid-19, or a member of their household does so.

As you know, testing is at present limited to those patients with life threatening symptomatology, and therefore we are unable to provide you anymore information about their status.

You will be aware of the most recent guidance to employers:

"By law, medical evidence is not required for the first 7 days of sickness. After 7 days, it is for the employer to determine what evidence they require, if any, from the employee. This does not need to be a Fit Note (Med3 form) issued by a GP or other doctor".

"Your employee will be advised to self isolate themselves and not to work in contact with other people by NHS111 or PHE if they are a carrier of, or have been in contact with, an infectious or contagious disease, such as Covid-19".

"We strongly suggest that employers use their discretion around the need for medical evidence for a period of absence where an employee is advised to stay at home due to suspected Covid-19, in accordance with Public Health advice issued by the Government".

We are grateful to you for accepting this letter and not adding to burden on the National Health Service at this increasingly difficult time.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized 'P' or similar initial.

The Partners
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