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Dear All,

It is probable that telephone consultation and triage will continue to be an important element of patient care for some considerable time after FDs complete their DFT training and it is therefore important that they can demonstrate that they have acquired the relevant skills to undertake triage independently. Consequently, it is essential for ESs to undertake at least one ADEPT involving assessment of the FD carrying out triage for a patient. As some FDs are carrying out triage for their practices from home you may need to discuss with your TPD the ways in which this can be achieved. If your practice is closed, you will need to discuss with your TPD how a simulated triage can be carried out to allow you as the ES to carry out an ADEPT.

It is probable that as COVID-19 restrictions are relaxed it will be possible for the majority of FDs to carry out triage within their training practices while being directly observed by their ES. When this becomes possible an additional ADEPT should be undertaken.

HEIW are continuing to work with COPDEND to support FDs and ESs during this unprecedented pandemic and we will be providing access for all ESs to a training webinar to assist them when completing the ES FRCP report. Details on how to access the webinar will be sent out shortly from central office.

Kind Regards

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