To whom it may concern,

**Title:** ISARIC/WHO Severe Acute Respiratory Infection Biological Sampling Study

**Chief Investigator:** C. Semple

**UKCRN ID:** 14152

This is to confirm that the above study is a NIHR Clinical Research Network expedited urgent public health study. In the event of an outbreak the study will be given priority by the Clinical Research Network. All Comprehensive Local Research Networks (CLRN) have Urgent Public Health plans which will be activated in the event of an outbreak.

Urgent Public Health Studies are excluded from the network high level objective first patient, first visit.

If you have further queries please contact your CLRN, contact details can be found on the CRN website.

Yours sincerely,

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