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Dear James,

I am writing to you to provide you with information about the Getting It Right For Every Child Practice Development Panel.

The Independent Chair wrote to me on 5 July 2018 with recommendations to change the Panel's timeline. He has requested that the Panel report to me with an authoritative draft Code of Practice later in the Autumn. I have considered this proposal and I am happy to accept the Chair's request. This would mean a change to the Panel's Terms of Reference which currently require the Panel to report to me with an authoritative draft Code of Practice in September 2018.

I have enclosed the letter from the Independent Chair and my response for your reference.

Yours Sincerely

**JOHN SWINNEY**

