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**COVID-19 Escalation Process to the HSE**

A direct line for GMB concerns to go directly to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE)

We now have a direct line for GMB concerns to go directly to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE). This is an important point of potential leverage and it is vital that we use it in the most effective way we can.

We will prioritise complaints that involve absolutely clear breaches of duty, especially:

* Social distancing of less than 2 metres and no risk assessment carried out/ no control measures introduced
* PPE, identified as being needed by the risk assessment, that is completely inadequate and not suitable/ sufficient
* No risk assessment for vulnerable people, specific tasks etc and refusal to carry one out when asked

If you have an issue that you want raising with the HSE please email your Regional Health and Safety Officer with the concern and they will liaise with your Regional Secretary (and the National Health and Safety department if necessary) and communicate back to you on next steps.

If the workplace has GMB reps the complaint to the HSE will then be made in the name of the reps themselves with the help of the Region. If there are no reps the complaint to the HSE will go through the Regional Health and Safety Officer.  (Use form on GMB Website)

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