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Dear Colleague

Evaluation of the National Surveillance System for Mortality Alerts - invitation to participate

Thank you for agreeing to take part in the evaluation of the national surveillance system for mortality alerts. Enclosed is an information sheet setting out details of the study and what it means to participate, along with a copy of our consent form to be signed at the interview.

The study is funded by the National Institute for Health Research and has been approved by your managers and by the Research & Development department in your organisation.

As part of this study we would like to interview you and ask about how your trust dealt with the mortality alerts it received and how it worked to improve care thereafter. The information sheet provides further details and makes clear that your involvement in this study is entirely voluntary and your responses will be entirely confidential.

With kind regards

Dr Jonathan Benn

Chief Investigator (on behalf of the research team)