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Dear David

## **NATIONAL BOARDS COLLABORATIVE PLAN**

Thank you for your letter of 16 July which was unfortunately lost in transit. I am grateful for the collaborative work that Health Scotland has been undertaking with the National Boards and other partners. This is essential to developing modern, sustainable services and making the best use of our collective resources.

I note the points made in your letter about the National Boards Collaborative Plan and understand that Health Scotland has discussed these through the governance arrangements that the National Boards have put in place for developing the plan and other aspects of their collaborative work. I am keen that Health Scotland continues to contribute to the plan through those arrangements and that progress has been made since June on issues such as developing a strategic overarching narrative for the National Boards and Regional Delivery Plans.

As you know, the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport has set out a clear set of priorities to take forward at pace and I welcome your commitment to developing more effective collaborations across the National Boards to help us achieve these objectives.

Kind Regards

