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Dear Carolyn and Judith,

Thank you for your letter dated 15 June, in which you raise concerns about certain aesthetic practices during the current COVID-19 restrictions. I am responding on behalf of the Department.

Thank you for bringing to my attention the potential unintended consequences of the Government guidance. I have asked my officials to look into this matter more closely. I can reassure colleagues in the APPG on Beauty, Aesthetics and Wellbeing that the Government approach is to put the health and safety of our workers at the forefront of our guidance. We work in close collaboration the UK's Chief Medical Officer for England, the NHS and Public Health England.

Unfortunately, due to a heavily committed diary under current circumstances I am unable to accept your kind invitation to meet. Your feedback has been very helpful in refining our guidance to ensure we are thinking about the practical steps that businesses can take to reopen safely during the coronavirus outbreak.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Yours ever,

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