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Dear Colleague,

Changing Places Toilet Facilities

I wrote to MPs earlier this year on the Government's intention to consult on improving the provision of Changing Places toilets. I am pleased to say that on 12 May, I launched this consultation seeking views on our proposal to mandate these facilities in specific new, large buildings visited by the public, including major refurbishments.

The consultation seeks views on the thresholds at which the facilities will be made mandatory in new or largely refurbished buildings of different types, such as overall floor space, visitor numbers or attendance capacity. It also seeks views on the size of Changing Places toilets as well as the range of equipment that must be included.

You can find the announcement of the launch as well as the consultation itself on the following links:

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-public-buildings-to-have-changing-places-toilets-for-severely-disabled-people

https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/changing-places-toilets

A short video about the Government's work to increase provision of Changing Places facilities can be viewed here: https://twitter.com/mhclg/status/1127522555794001925. You may find it useful to share this with your constituents.

I know that many colleagues have raised the issue of Changing Places both in Parliament and with me and previous ministers in the Department. I am grateful for your support and efforts in highlighting the issue.

Increasing the provision of Changing Places toilets will give severely disabled people and their families the opportunity to visit public places which they otherwise would not be able to and can therefore make a huge difference to their quality of life.

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