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Dear valued employer

After the Prime Ministers recent announcement, the GTA will be conditionally opening it's doors to all apprentices from Monday 8 March 2021 as part of our re-start to face to face training.

As you will already know the GTA operates a Covid-secure environment in-line with Government policy so that everyone can safely attend any of our training centre's to carry on with their training. For more information, please download our Covid-19 Policy from our website under policy statements. You will also be able to download our Remote Learning Policy which explains how we may be able to provide extra support and training for your apprentice.

From 29 March the GTA maybe able to offer regular testing for staff and apprentices. Testing is not mandatory, and apprentices do not need to provide proof of a negative test result to attend the GTA in person, although participation in testing is strongly encouraged. Testing is aimed at supplementing but not replacing the existing Covid-19 protection systems and measures we have in our training centres. More information will be provided nearer time.

More information can be found at:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/964722/Further\\_education\\_coronavirus\\_COVID-19\\_operational\\_guidance.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/964722/Further_education_coronavirus_COVID-19_operational_guidance.pdf)

And

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19>

Kind regards



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