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The new Covid-19 legislation which now makes it easier for doctors to issue MCCDs;

A MCCD is acceptable as long as:

1. The patient has been seen by **A** medical practitioner in the last 28 days **OR** after death
2. The certifying Dr can give a CoD to the best of their knowledge and belief (based on the information available to them).

Also permitted:

- Video-link consultations now count as **seeing** the patient (*NB video link cannot be used if viewing the body AFTER death*).
- The certifying / issuing Dr does **not** need to have been the same Dr that saw the deceased in the last 28 days OR after death.

If any GP requires advice from the Coroner's Officers, please drop us an email at Coroners@cheshire.pnn.police.uk with a contact number and we will call you straight back. (We are working remotely and we still have some telephony issues).

Hopefully this will help to ease the pressures on your service as well as ours, during this difficult time.

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