

# Pandemic ready?

## Charting a future relationship with the EU to help manage another coronavirus



Supporting healthcare as the UK leaves the EU

Coronavirus has shone a stark spotlight on the issues that still need to be resolved in the negotiations between the UK and EU before the end of 2020, when the post-Brexit transition period ends.

The Brexit Health Alliance wants to see agreement in the following health-related areas so that the NHS is as well equipped as possible to fight pandemics in future.



**Mutual recognition of regulatory standards for medicines and medical supplies** such as personal protective equipment and ventilators, so that supplies reach patients and staff as fast as possible.

**Exchange of data and alerts** on upcoming health threats between the UK and EU, for maximum preparedness.



**Minimum customs and tariff barriers** on importing and exporting medicines and medical equipment.

**Collaboration in research and testing** of new drugs and vaccines, sharing expertise and data.



**Rapid authorisation systems** for the supply and marketing of drugs and vaccines.

**UK and EU citizens' right to cross-border healthcare and benefits**, to minimise staff shortages and relieve pressure on health and care sector.



**The Brexit Health Alliance** was established to make sure that the interests of those who use health services, as well as healthcare commissioners and providers, educators, researchers, and the healthcare industry are protected now the UK has left the EU. For further information: [www.nhsconfed.org/brexithealthalliance](http://www.nhsconfed.org/brexithealthalliance)