



### Introduction

Hello everyone,

Here’s the latest COVID-19 information bulletin from Step Change in Safety, bringing you the latest updates and useful links in an ever-changing situation.

Please keep engaging with us and do not hesitate to get in touch.

We are planning on hosting a webinar to discuss all aspects of COVID-19 and the impact it’s having on the UK oil and gas industry workforce. Date/time, and sign-up arrangements will be announced soon.

### WEBINAR COMING SOON

#### KEY WORKERS

Offshore workers, “key workers”, undertake essential work that ensures the security of the UK’s Energy Supply as described on the UK.Gov website.

We also recognise that our “Key Workers” have many questions regarding COVID-19 and our industry and as such we are planning a webinar (Time TBC) to hear and respond to these questions.

### Offshore Helicopter Safety Information Films

Our second Offshore Helicopter Information film is now available to view.

This film features **Dr Graham Furnace**, OGUK Medical Advisor, who answers current questions from the workforce about **medical** issues surrounding offshore helicopter travel.

Topics include: temperature checking; what to do if your temperature is high; and self-isolation offshore.



The film can be viewed here by clicking this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DeokyeNnSsM>



In the first film, **Graham Wildgoose**, OGUK Aviation Advisor, and **Matt Rhodes**, Bristow Helicopters UK and member of the Step Change in Safety Leadership Team, answer current questions from the workforce about offshore helicopter travel during the COVID-19 pandemic.

These Q&As focus on operational procedures, arrival and departure, and transfer of passengers

The film can be viewed here by clicking this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=goxyJwZPQjg>



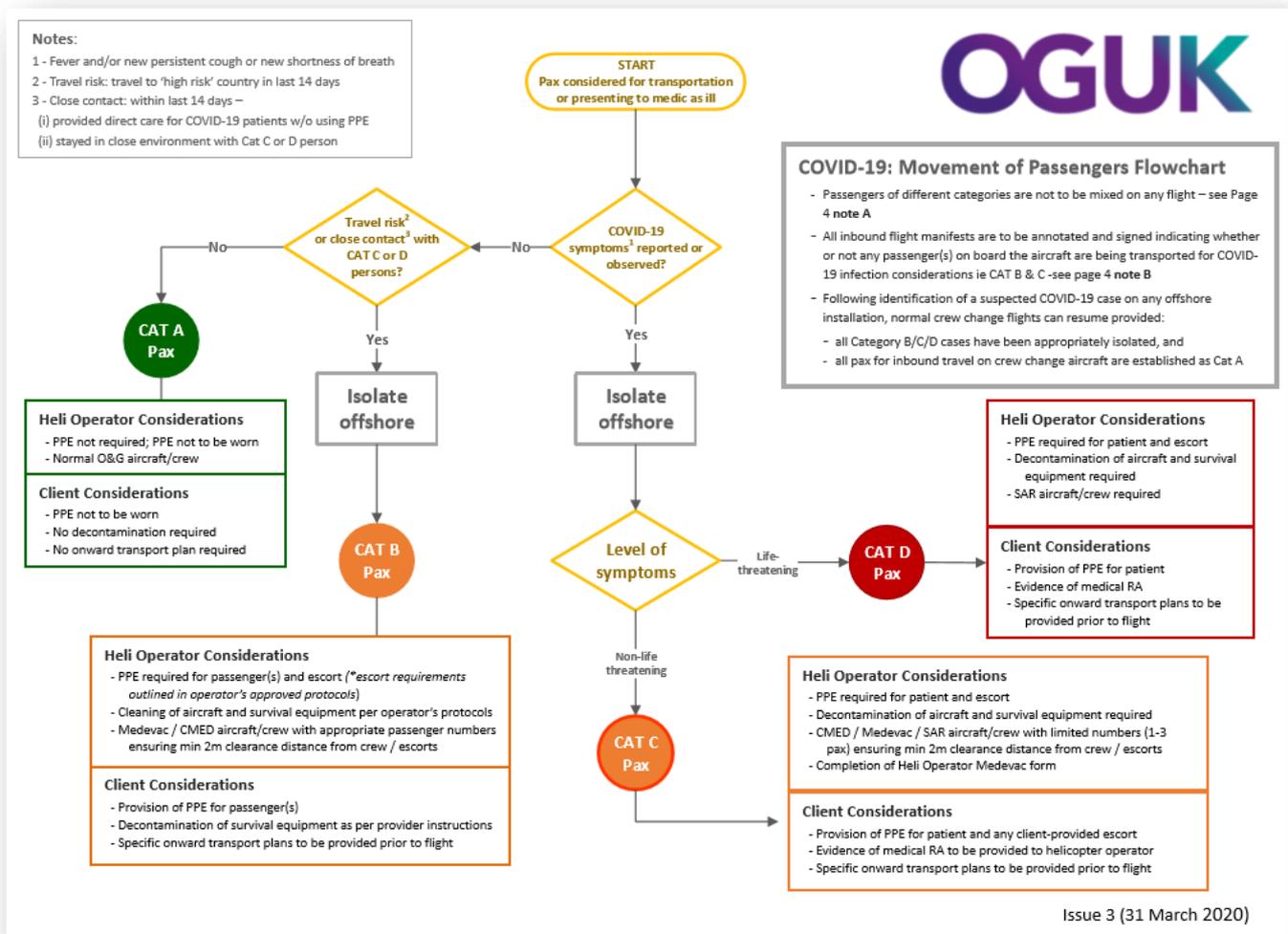
Many thanks to **Bristow Helicopters UK, CHC, Babcock** and **NHV** for collaborating on the helicopter operators' responses.

We are committed to producing accurate, relevant information for the workforce and will be producing a series of short films which will be available to view online.

## Helicopter transfer flowchart

The latest Helicopter Transfer Flowchart is now available online.

Please visit : <https://oilandgasuk.co.uk/covid-19/> to download the flowchart and explanatory notes for 'Understanding and implementing the 'Movement of Passengers.'



### Government guidelines on mental health and wellbeing



The Government has published new guidance on the mental health and wellbeing aspects of coronavirus. People struggling with their mental health during the COVID-19 outbreak will be offered additional online support and practical guidance to help them cope.

The guidance has been developed in partnership with leading mental health charities and clinically assured by NHS England. It also includes steps that those living with serious mental health problems can take, including seeking support from their mental health teams.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-advice-to-support-mental-health-during-coronavirus-outbreak>



### FAQs



As mentioned in our previous COVID-19 bulletin, the Step Change in Safety **Workforce Engagement workgroup (WEST)** is compiling a list of all the current concerns and queries being posed by the workforce, and will endeavour to secure accurate answers via a variety of sources including webinars, our website, the joint information hub with OGUK, films and digital platforms.

Many thanks indeed to all those who have contributed so far. We are in the process of grouping these concerns and are contacting the appropriate organisations for responses.

All correspondence will be treated in confidence.

Please continue to send all queries and correspondence to:

[emma@stepchangeinsafety.net](mailto:emma@stepchangeinsafety.net)

### Act of Remembrance

In these times of uncertainty and worry, we must still not forget the members of our oil and gas community who have lost their lives at work.

From **Gordon Craig, UK Oil & Gas Chaplain:**

*“On the 1st of April 2009 a Super Puma helicopter came down about 11 miles from Peterhead while returning from BP’s Miller Production Platform. Sixteen people died. On the same day, in a separate incident a crewman of DSV Wellservicer also died. Every year since, family members, friends and colleagues of those lost have gathered at the memorial set in Johnston Gardens Aberdeen to remember. This year they are unable to physically come together.”*

A short, recorded **Act of Remembrance** will be available to view via a dedicated link. This Act of Remembrance includes a roll call of those lost, a minute’s silence and a short time to reflect. To protect ourselves, and others, we cannot be together this year but we continue to remember those lost.

The link will be available on the Chaplaincy **Facebook** page at 09:00 on Wednesday.

**@TheUkOilGasChaplaincy**

*In remembrance of those who lost their lives on G-REDL Flight 85N on 1st April 2009.*

*James (Jimmy) Edwards, Vernon John Elrick, Nairn J. Ferrier, Nolan Carl Goble, Gareth Wyn Hughes, First Officer Richard Menzies, Warren George Mitchell, David J Rae, Leslie (Bez) Taylor, Stuart Wood, Mihails Zuravskis, Brian Barkley, Captain Paul Burnham, James (Moose) Costello, Alex Dallas, Raymond Steele Doyle*

### Feedback and contact information:



More than ever before, we want your feedback, thoughts and suggestions. As the UK’s recognised safety organisation for the oil and gas industry, it is our duty to respond to your needs and your concerns so please, stay in touch with us and tell us what you need.

You can do this in a number of ways:

Email: [info@stepchangeinsafety.net](mailto:info@stepchangeinsafety.net) or call **+44 (0)1224 577 268** and we will respond promptly.

Speak to any of our team – we’re working from home but are still available by the usual means:

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