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Permanent unit

Gloucester RTS
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Test and Trace

6000 workers

I read yesterday that the Government is shedding 6,000 workers from the test-and-trace operations. 6000 is a large percentage of the 25,000 (24%) of the total number employees. So has the system reached Baroness Dido Hardings “Gold Standard” ?

> *contact tracing is part detective work and part anthropology and must be done locally by people who know their communities @KateAlvanley @Jeanelleuk @GabrielScally @didoharding @CWilkinsOldham @NHS_RobW https://t.co/XDXDrgjADs*
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> *— Sir Chris Ham (@profchrisham) August 12, 2020*

Tweet from Sir Chris Ham
As Sir Chris Ham said

> *“Contact tracing has to be led locally by people who work in the communities that are affected and understand them,They’re part-detectives, part-anthropologists: they work with leaders in faith groups, in community organisations, and public services, to understand why there are more cases in a particular area, and how to work with everyone to contain and reduce the challenges. You can’t do that sitting in a remote call centre.”*
>
> *Sir Chris Ham*

New Local Test and Trace

Now local councils are starting their **OWN** local test-and-trace operations in Blackburn, Leicester, Manchester, Calderdale and Liverpool. The Government has been **forced** to **share** the current and up to date information with the local health workers. If only to enable the test-and-trace effort to be better coordinated.

According to the Guardian Newspaper the central call-centre workers only manager to trace 56% of people’s contacts, whereas the figure for local health teams was 98%.

Hopefully, what will emerge will finally be a Test and Trace system that actually works.

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