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Dear Colleague

The bed crisis at Queen Alexandra hospital continues unabated. Routine surgical operations have been cancelled now. It has fallen on us to try and utilise all our beds in elderly medicine as efficiently as possible. There has been some underutilisation of continuing care beds. From 16 February I propose that we use vacant continuing care beds for post acute patients. A policy offering guidance is enclosed. We shall trial the flexible use of the beds for a few weeks and I would be happy to co-ordinate any comments.

Thank you for your help.

Yours sincerely

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