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@2ndNewMoon

I was in France when NHS cleared out a factory of Midazolam & then tried to get 🇫🇷 domestic issue. I think @NeilDotO'Brien should explore possibility of leveraged 'end of life' activism. @allisonpearson @ClarkeMicah @AlistairHaines

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Replying to @2ndNewMoon, @ClarkeMicah and @robertshrimley

2// It would be helpful if people did less stenography, what I can say is when Britain bought the Midazolam in France, basically all of it, 2 years worth, it was for precise reason put to Mr Hancock, end of life activities. The 🇬🇧 need to talk about that.

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Replying to @_johnbye and @ClarkeMicah

I was with regional political leadership in France when the NHS Midazolam purchase was discussed. Britain's ventilators, ICUs were not going to be used on elderly, learning disabled etc. care home traffic would be 1 directional. @allisonpearson

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Replying to @matthewrobb701 @Omega3Riker and 2 others

the advice given to 🇬🇧 when it began was "don't go crazy with the midazolam", it wasn't quite that blunt but messages from stakeholders in 🇪🇺 were along those lines, if a UN rapporteur is invited, the comms may become public @JuliaHB1

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Matt Hancock: Yes, we have. A challenge was raised on that about eight days ago—it was not as big a challenge as was made public, and we have resolved it. Yes; right now we have enough.

Q378 **Dr Evans:** The syringe drivers are used to deliver medications such as midazolam and morphine. Do you have any precautions in place to ensure that we have enough of those medications?

Matt Hancock: Yes. We have a big project to make sure that the global supply chains for those sorts of medications, as well as the ITU medications that I spoke about earlier, are clear. In fact, those medicines are made in a relatively small number of factories around the world, so it is a delicate supply chain and we are in contact with the whole supply chain.

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Replying to @McCormack_Tara and @jadenozzz

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Replying to @2ndNewMoon @allyrob74 and 5 others

2// I was in France with regional political leadership and 2 years worth of midazolam was purchased by NHS for the reason cited in this query to Mr Hancock, later they'd ask for whatever 🇫🇷 labeled issue could be clawed out of pharmacy logistics, 20,000 packets if I recall.

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"a good deaths needs" the Midazolam was bought for end-of-life activities

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Q379 **Dr Evans:** In line with that, morphine is currently prescribed per patient. The reason for that is to stop it being abused. I would have to prescribe it for Mr Hancock, for example. In this situation, however, if you are going into a healthcare home, you may not want to waste precious things such as morphine. Have you considered relaxing the laws on doctors and healthcare professionals prescribing morphine, so that there is no waste?

Matt Hancock: That is something we keep under review. I have looked at that particular point, to reduce wastage of key medicines. It is something that the supply and clinical teams in the Department talk about all the time. I do not know if that is JVT's part of the clinical team. He may want to say more.

Professor Van-Tam: Thank you. I have nothing really to add on that.

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