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'Key learnings'

After nearly a year of Covid crisis management, Paul Reid says key learnings include: virus comes back during a period of respite; increasing transmissibility of Covid; the virus thrives on gatherings | <https://t.co/zUowRQI9zg>
[pic.twitter.com/RhWj5bESTa](https://t.co/RhWj5bESTa)

— RTxc9 News (@rtenews) [January 28, 2021](#)

A layman, I seem to recall our Public Health doctors saying these things to anyone who would listen close on a year ago.

<https://t.co/DxRI3Qa3IA> <https://t.co/jggHNeXorX>

About a year to the day that I stormed into my department & said we need to start preparing for this Wuhan virus. Response from on-high to my suggestion a national operational group be put together as a starting point - silence followed by "That wouldn't be inappropriate" <https://t.co/MumCYKO60u>

— Sinead Donohue (@sinead_donohue) [January 21, 2021](#)

One for the book.

<https://t.co/MHulHu9BHz> <https://t.co/GzXgDxLdMf>

Clear outline of deficits across regional public health and stark consequences for pandemic control. Should have been urgently addressed a yr ago but imperative now. [@marietcasey](#)

Neil Michael: Under-investment in public health undermines zero Covid efforts <https://t.co/iclMTUf1tG>

— Fionnuala Donohue (@mac_fionn) [January 28, 2021](#)

<https://t.co/a68fJXw9qb> <https://t.co/qKirJwpVom>

Yesterday was a year to the day from when I started my consultant job in Oz. I left brilliant colleagues like Marie in HSE because the Irish government treat public health unit doctors so badly. No authority to manage outbreaks. No autonomy. And any infrastructure..... <https://t.co/7qn910wt75>

— Niall Conroy (@NICU_doc_salone) January 21, 2021

<https://t.co/soP83FyrDd> <https://t.co/GJz48BFEn>

I feel very let down by the whole response. That's been the hardest thing since the start.

It's been underresourcing, lack of recognition of specialist skills and sidelining from the start.

Imagine if you were a surgeon and pushed out of the way once the operation started.

— Dr Marie Casey (@marietcasey) January 24, 2021

Morto.

We all know it is important to stay positive. That's made harder if we are seeing such a mismatch between the experts in the field and the people in front of the cameras.

The past year has not been a tutorial for managers.

It has travelled the path predicted by PH for years.