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Rt Hon Sir Edward Davey MP  
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*Dear Ed,*

Thank you for your email of 16 May on behalf of constituents who contacted you regarding Graded Exercise Therapy (GET), the PACE trial and those diagnosed with Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS).

I note that you have contacted the Department of Health and Social Care directly concerning the PACE trial so will confine this reply to the issue of GET.

I appreciate your constituents' concerns and can advise them that neither our Assessment Providers nor Departmental decision makers use GET to assess claimants with ME/CFS when determining benefit entitlement.

I hope this reply clarifies the position for your constituents.

*Kind regards  
Esther*

**Rt Hon Esther McVey MP**

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