

NAADUK's Busiest Year

20th January 2021

Since February 2020 Naaduk have emphasised the relationship between IAQ (Indoor Air Quality) and ventilation system hygiene. We have issued four guidance documents, approximately one every quarter and these have been issued world-wide by other groups such as the IHEEM.

Guidance	Date
COVID-19 Guidance for Ventilation Hygiene Risk Assessment and Welfare Guidance.	Jan 21
COVID 19 Guidance Return to Work	Nov 20
COVID 19 Guidance for Ventilation Hygiene 2 nd Review	Oct 20
COVID-10 Guidance for Ventilation Hygiene	Apr 20

We have led the guidance for our industry since the beginning of this Covid pandemic, despite spurious claims from some within the industry that ventilation hygiene is not an important factor in the reduction in transmission of Covid-19. These harmful statements have displayed a lack of understanding of the critical role ventilation plays in the control of this virus.

Naaduk have been at the forefront of our industry collating information from the WHO and other organisations around the World. Also, this year our experts have been called on by several environmental offices for assistance around the UK and we are very proud of the fact we have helped save lives and eased the misery of others. This important service was provided through Naaduk's no-charge consultancy services to environmental officers around the UK.

Our technical team are engaged with others on efforts making future building ventilation systems virus resistant and also advising on upgrading older systems.

Our guidance is supported by a recent BBC program by Dr Catherine Noake aired on 19th January 2021 called Life Scientific. The programme explains how good ventilation dramatically reduces the risk of inhaling tiny airborne pathogens. In addition, the journal of Hospital Infection also states the importance of adequate ventilation.

The leadership council are kept up to date with our developments.

NAADUK will continue to work improving standards with its imminent launch of Naad21 and will always put the interests of the community first.

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