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To ask the Minister for Health the way in which he can ensure that the HSE consider survey findings submitted by an organisation (details supplied) in the context of clinical effectiveness and quality of life data as it pertains to the review being carried out with respect to the use of the FreeStyle Libre device; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Joe Carey

Diabetes Ireland

Dear Deputy Carey,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 26469/19), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The HSE will consider any reputable source of data in its consideration of next steps for reimbursement support of the Freestyle Libre Device. The Health Technology Assessment (HTA) process envisaged in the coming months does allow for patient experience and societal aspects of benefit to be considered. The Diabetes Ireland report would satisfy that criteria.

However, reductions in strip usage are accurately measured through the reimbursement records held in HSE Primary Care Reimbursement Service (PCRS) on a patient specific basis, as notified to the HSE through individual pharmacy claims on a monthly basis.

Yours sincerely,

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