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**To ask the Minister for Health the treatments available in the public health service for persons diagnosed with Leber congenital amaurosis and early onset of severe retinal dystrophy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Michael Creed.**

Dear Deputy Creed,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 11630/21), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

There are currently no products reimbursed under Community Drug Schemes specifically indicated for the treatment of Leber congenital amaurosis and early onset of severe retinal dystrophy.

Pharmaceutical companies are required to submit formal applications if they wish their medicines to be added to the list of reimbursable items / funded via hospitals. Products are considered for reimbursement under Community Drug Schemes in line with the Health (Pricing and Supply of Medical Goods) Act 2013.

Yours sincerely,

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