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To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with diabetes who were funded for the dexcom continuous glucose monitoring CGM sensors by the long term illness scheme and the primary care reimbursement service who are also funded for an insulin pump; and the number who were funded for insulin pumps and a dexcom CGM sensor who were over 21 years of age in 2018 to 2020, in tabular form. -Sean Sherlock.

Dear Deputy Sherlock,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 15203/21), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM) devices go through a completely separate funding mechanism locally, not through PCRS. There is a National Tender in place through Aids and Appliances for CGM devices and the hospital must apply for funding for those patients where CGM is warranted. On the basis of this, PCRS cover the ancillary sensor device which is a consumable product to those who are in receipt of CGMs. PCRS do not reimburse equipment.

The number of persons who have been reimbursed for Dexcom CGM sensors from the period of 2018-2020 (inclusive) is as follows:

Dexcom Sensors	2018	2019	2020
<i>All</i>	467	1,122	3,030
<i>Over 21 years</i>	248	692	2,082

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Suzanne Doyle'.

Suzanne Doyle
Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service