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To ask the Minister for Health the number of meetings that have been held in 2020 and to date in 2021 between the manufacturers of the FreeStyle Libre flash glucose monitoring system and the HSE primary care reimbursement service; the number of those meetings took place in relation to making the technology available to persons with diabetes over 21 years of age based on clinical need; the outcomes of these meetings; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Dillon,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 24576/21), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

There have been three meetings held between the manufacturers of the Freestyle Libre FGM system and the PCRS in this timeframe. At the most recent meeting, the manufacturer confirmed that they held sufficient clinical evidence to support a full HTA process.

The HSE has now commissioned a full Health Technology Assessment to be conducted by the NCPE in collaboration with the Medicines Management Programme. The engagement with the NCPE has commenced as evidenced in recent days with a call for patient group submissions.

Yours sincerely,

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

Suzanne Doyle
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