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PQ: 50450/21

To ask the Minister for Health the timeline for the publication of recommendations from the full health technology assessment of the FreeStyle Libre flash glucose monitoring system. -Ivana Bacik

Dear Deputy Bacik,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 50450/21), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Whilst it was anticipated that the review of FreeStyle Libre Flash Glucose Monitoring System would be finalised at the end of Q1 2020, the public health emergency that has occurred in the meantime has resulted in members of the Health Technology Assessment Group (HTAG), whose primary roles are in Public Health Medicine, being redirected fully to public health emergency duties.

Given the current situation, the HSE are not in a position to progress the HTAG review and publication of the advice note. The HSE has now commissioned a full Health Technology Assessment to be conducted by the NCPE in collaboration with the Medicines Management Programme. This process has commenced as evidenced by the NCPE call for patient group submissions in recent weeks.

The NCPE are awaiting the submission of the evidence dossier from the manufacturer. As a HTA progresses, the NCPE website displays each stage as it progresses.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Suzanne Doyle', written over a horizontal line.

Suzanne Doyle
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