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Deputy Duncan Smith, Dáil Éireann, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Issued via email to: <u>duncan.smith@oireachtas.ie</u>

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Question: To ask the Minister for Health the projected cost of providing a Covid-19 booster vaccine in winter 2022 to all those currently vaccinated; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Smith,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

The estimated overall cost of the Vaccination Programme for 2022 is €557m and this would cover costs of all elements required to enable delivery of another successful Covid-19 Vaccination Programme e.g. vaccine supply, infrastructure, ICT, resources etc.

Please note that, as of writing, the HSE is implementing the latest National Immunisation Advisory Committee (NIAC) advice which will be delivered between now and year end. Should additional NIAC advice be given this will be incorporated into the Winter Vaccination plan.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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