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PQ: 29414/22

To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of making dexcoms or similar continuous glucose monitors available on the long-term illness scheme for all those living with type 1 diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Darren O'Rourke

Dear Deputy O'Rourke,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 29414/22), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM) devices for those with type 1 diabetes such as Dexcom and Medtronic 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. These sensors are seamlessly available to those with type 1 diabetes under the LTI scheme. PCRS do not reimburse equipment.

CGM sensors on the Reimbursement List include, Dexcom G4/G5, Dexcom G6, Medtronic Guardian 3 and Medtronic Enlite.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Suzanne Doyle', written in a cursive style.

Suzanne Doyle
Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service