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**Representation (REPQ 29867/22)**

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**Re PQ 29867/22:** To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of the HPV vaccine catch-up campaign for all eligible women up to 45 years of age.

**Dear Deputy Cullinane,**

Thank you for your Parliamentary question, which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

It is not currently the National Immunisation Advisory Committee (NIAC) guidance or the Department of Health policy to offer HPV vaccines to all women aged up to 45 years of age. Women in Ireland aged from approximately 13 to 28 years old have had the opportunity to be vaccinated as part of the HSE vaccination programme.

It is difficult to estimate the cost or availability of vaccine if a catch-up was to be offered to all women up to the age of 45 years, but an estimate of the cost could be in the region of 150 million euros.

I trust this answers your question. I consulted with Dr Lucy Jessop, Consultant in Public Health Medicine and Director of the National Immunisation Office (NIO), HSE in this response. If you require any further information or clarification please contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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