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PQ: 30338/22

To ask the Minister for Health if the number of patients accessing anti-IL-5 therapies for severe asthma via the HSE's high-tech hub is subject to a capped budget; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Colm Burke

Dear Deputy Burke,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 30338/22), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The number of patients accessing anti- IL5 therapy for severe asthma through the High Tech Hub is not subject to a capped budget. However, patients must have satisfied the clinical criteria protocols in place for product initiation in line with reimbursement approvals of the HSE.

Yours sincerely,

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