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Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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20th February 2023

PQ: 4996/23

To ask the Minister for Health the annual spend under the health vote on ingredient cost elements, excluding fees, of exempt medicinal products in each of the years 2020 to 2022. -David Cullinane

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 4996/23), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Please see the enclosed spreadsheet with the information you requested.

Please note:

- The information provided is based on claim data which has been received by the Primary Care Reimbursement Service (PCRS) from Community Pharmacists and includes items reimbursed by PCRS only.
- This data does not capture items dispensed outside of community drug schemes where the prescription has been paid for privately by the patient or patient representative.
- This data may not capture claims which are under the DPS monthly threshold amount.
- PCRS does not capture data in relation to diagnosis or indication.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Suzanne Doyle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Suzanne Doyle
Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service