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PQ: 6267/23

To ask the Minister for Health if a decision has been taken to remove the lanreotide chemotherapy drug from the drugs refund scheme; if so, the reason for this; and the notice that is being given to users in order that they can explore other options which would be covered. -Richard Bruton

Dear Deputy Bruton,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 6267/23), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Lanreotide (Somatuline®) injection is seamlessly available in various strengths under the High Tech Arrangements for persons with eligibility under Community Drug Schemes. There has been no change in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Suzanne Doyle'.

Suzanne Doyle
Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service