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PQ33461/23- Deputy Denis Naughten- To ask the Minister for Health if he will outline the planned revision of the model of care for long-Covid following the publication of the report by HIQA; when the model of care was last reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Naughten,

Thank you for your representation.

The Interim Model of Care was developed by a multi-disciplinary, multi-speciality group in 2020-2021. It was initially approved by the HSE Integrated National Operational Hub (INOH) and operationalisation started in 2021/2022.

Since then clinical pathways of care were developed to support the MoC, and the Interim Model of Care and related pathways were approved at the Chief Clinical Officer Clinical Forum in May 2023, the standard governance line for approval of clinical Models of Care in HSE. The MoC was reviewed in tandem with a recent report from HIQA on the Epidemiology of Long Covid. In line with that report, it was agreed that a further review of the MoC will be required when more data is available as the trajectory of Long Covid and the emergence of potential treatments.

<https://www.hiqa.ie/sites/default/files/2023-05/International-review-of-the-epidemiology-of-long-COVID.pdf>

I hope this provides you with some assistance.

Yours sincerely

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