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PQ: 25372/25

To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 177 of 18 May 2022, when voretigene neparvovec luxturna will be added to the reimbursement list in line with the Health Act 2013 and the national framework agreed with the pharmaceutical industry under which a company must submit an application to the HSE to have a new medicine approved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Seán Ó Fearghaíl

Dear Deputy Ó Fearghaíl,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 25372/25), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Hospital pricing approval is in place from the 17th August 2023 for voretigene neparvovec (Luxturna®) for the treatment of adult and paediatric patients with vision loss due to inherited retinal dystrophy caused by confirmed biallelic RPE65 mutations and who have sufficient viable retinal cells. As a condition of hospital pricing approval, an individual patient approval system has been put in place by the HSE, to enable reimbursement for patients who meet the pre-defined criteria as per a HSE devised managed access protocol. Voretigene neparvovec (Luxturna®) - HSE.ie

Yours sincerely,

Suzanne Doyle Primary Care Reimbursement Service

The Health Service Executive operates the General Medical Services Scheme, which includes Medical Cards and GP Visit Cards, under the Health Act 1970, as amended. It has established a dedicated contact service for members of the Oireachtas specifically for queries relating to the status of Medical Cards

and GP Visit Cards applications, which the Deputy / Senator may wish to use for an earlier response. Tel: 01-8647180 / email: Oireachtas.pcrs@hse.ie