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Deputy Naoise Ó Muirí Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

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## **RE PQ 53015/25**

# Question

To ask the Minister for Health for an update on what section within the HSE is responsible for the purchase and evaluation of insulin delivery systems; and if she will make a statement on the matter. - Naoise Ó Muirí

### Response

Dear Deputy Ó Muirí,

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

Insulin delivery systems comprise of:

- hardware e.g. insulin pumps and insulin pens and:
- consumables e.g. infusion sets, reservoirs, and disposable pen needles.

The hardware elements are provided under the Long-Term Illness Scheme and are available to all suitable patients with Type 1 Diabetes and are funded and purchased by Local Health Offices in each RHA area. Insulin pumps are provided to the patients referring Diabetes Unit to co-ordinate training prior to issuing to the patient. Insulin pumps come out of the local Aids & Appliances budgets. HSE Procurement, Sourcing and Contracts (Medical Surgical Portfolio) are responsible for co-ordination of evaluation of all hardware products.

The consumables (e.g. infusion sets) are dispensed by pharmacies on foot of a prescription for a patient. Community pharmacy contractors are reimbursed by the HSE Primary Care Reimbursement Scheme (PCRS). Consumable products are added to the Reimbursement List which is maintained by PCRS following the formal processes set down under the Health (Pricing and Supply of Medical Goods) Act 2013.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the National Director of Procurement on (01) 635 2251 or via <a href="mailto:ProcurementND@hse.ie">ProcurementND@hse.ie</a>.

Yours sincerely,