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**AGENDA FOR THE MEETING  
OF THE  
REGIONAL HEALTH FORUM DUBLIN MID LEINSTER–JOINT MEETING OF THE ACUTE HOSPITAL SERVICES  
AND POPULATIONS HEALTH AND PRIMARY COMMUNITY AND CONTINUING CARE COMMITTEE**

**Venue:** Virtual

**Date:** Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 at 2pm – 4pm

1. Adoption of minutes of meeting of the Regional Health Forum - Dublin Mid Leinster held on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2020 (attached)
2. Health Service Executive Updates
3. Presentation on Oral Health by Joseph Green
4. Motions

<b>Motion Number</b>	<b>Proposed by</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Responded by</b>
<b>1</b>	Cllr. Hazel Smyth	That the HSE enable birthing partners to attend the birth of children in a full and safe way throughout the birthing process	HSE National Women and Infants Health Programme
<b>2</b>	Cllr Maire Devine	That this Forum agrees to a report being prepared on the historic importance and evolution of Cork Street Fever Hospital and House of Recovery and grounds (now BrúChaoimhin).	Paul Flood, Assistant National Director HSE Estates Office
		That this Regional Health Forum Dublin Mid Leinster calls for confirmation of HSE plans to effectively support the work of Tallaght Drugs and Alcohol Task Force in 2021 which is in serious	

3	Cllr Charlie O'Connor	need of additional assistance and may we have a response to the recent statement by the Minister for Health in a recent Dail reply that " <i>I would advise Tallaght Drugs and Alcohol Task Force to contact their community healthcare organisation to enquire about the allocation of new funding to their locality</i> " ; may we have assurances in the matter and a statement for discussion	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
4	Cllr. Gerry O'Neill, Cllr Joe Behan, Cllr Patsy Glennon and Cllr Deirdre O'Donovan	That this Regional Health Forum supports the wishes of the local community that the Crooksling site and facilities be retained for community health care and other community services and that the site should not be sold on the open market	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7

5. Questions

Question Number	Proposed by	Question	Responded by
15.12.20/01	Cllr. Deirdre Conroy	<p>A newly formed Irish Charity, is dealing with women's refuge, caught up in the pandemic and unable to carry out all their fundraising plans. They are actively looking for a refuge building at this time of heightened need for their services. They enquire if the Women's Refuge in Rathmines is still closed or if this building is available? I have already questioned Dublin City Council and am advised that it is owned by HSE. Their details are on <a href="http://www.thewellspringoflife.ie">www.thewellspringoflife.ie</a></p> <p>Please advise if this building is available and if HSE can correspond with the enquirer and myself.</p>	Jenny Finnegan, Senior Communications Officer, Tusla
	Cllr. Hazel	Have the HSE appropriate dry ice and CO2 supplies are put in place in order to facilitate the proper distribution and storage of the covid-	Dr Lucy Jessop Director of Public Health HSE National

15.12.20/02	Smyth	19 vaccine	Immunisation Office
15.12.20/03	Cllr. Hazel Smyth	When will the HSE redeploy the staff of the Mental Health Clinic on Harbour Street, Mullingar, County Westmeath	Dervila Eyres Head of Mental Health Services Midlands Louth Meath Community Healthcare Organisation CHO8
15.12.20/04	Cllr Maire Devine	To ask that an Architectural Conservation Area designation for the related Nurse's Home and Quaker burial ground be agreed?	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
15.12.20/05	Cllr Carrie Smyth	To ask the CEO to report on the take up of the flu vaccine among healthcare staff and how the take up in 2020 compares with the previous three years i.e. 2017, 2018 and 2019?	Paul Reid, Office of the Chief Executive Officer, Health Service Executive
15.12.20/06	Cllr Carrie Smyth	To ask the CEO when the publication of a detailed roll-out plan for COVID-19 vaccine is finalised that it be circulated to the Regional Health Forum members.	Paul Reid, Office of the Chief Executive Officer, Health Service Executive
15.12.20/07	Cllr Carrie Smyth	To ask the CEO as the Country exits Level 5 Restrictions, is the Contact Tracing System better able to cope (as prior to this Level 5 Restrictions those diagnosed with COVID-19 had to inform their close contacts)?	Paul Reid, Office of the Chief Executive Officer, Health Service Executive
		Can the CEO please report on when the anticipated time-span / closure of Our Lady Hospital Crumlin will take place and what future possible uses for this fine campus are envisaged? It hard to understand why various improvements are still happening to a hospital that will almost certainly close for its current usages, I would ask due to its	

15.12.20/08	Cllr Vincent Jackson	proximity to the St James Campus a step-down facility could be considered for those recovering in St James Hospital etc. thus freeing up valuable acute beds.	Eilish Hardiman, Children's Health Ireland, The National Children's Hospital Group
15.12.20/10	Cllr Vincent Jackson	Can I please ask HSE senior management to ensure that whilst only patients are allowed into the restricted areas of hospitals, that security / frontline staff are aware that a lot older persons with dementia etc. need a loved one with them at all times, I know from family experience that some staff need a lot of explaining to ensure this happens x-rays, blood tests, specialist visits require the help and support of a loved one.	Trevor O'Callaghan Chief Executive Officer Dublin Midland Hospital Group  Declan Lyons CEO, Ireland East Hospital Group
15.12.20/11	Cllr Marie Devine	Can you please add this question to the Forum's December agenda? "Dolphin Creche at Rialto, Dublin 8, caters for the Early Years Education and Care needs of 21 vulnerable children. There are 3 of these young children awaiting HSE assessment of needs and many other awaiting Speech and Language support. Some parents have been informed of a 29 month wait. To ask the HSE to provide immediate assessments and uphold these children's rights as enshrined in legislation?	Martina Queally, Chief Officer, Community Healthcare East, Dublin South, East Dun Laoghaire & Wicklow CHO6  Sarah McBride, Chief Officer, Midlands Louth Meath Healthcare Organisation (CHO8)  Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
15.12.20/12	Cllr Charlie O'Connor	In addition to the 15 Approved Home Support Providers on the 2018 list for CHO7, could the HSE provide a list of the other Providers who are called on to provide Home Care Support in CHO7, how are they ranked and to explain how a family could avail of the services, in particular in the Tallaght and surrounding areas, of any of these additional Providers and how does the process of referral operate?	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7

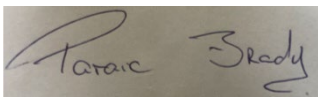
15.12.20/13	Cllr Charlie O'Connor	To ask for assurances that Medical Cards will be made available to terminally ill patients when such requests are made; may we have confirmation of HSE policy in the matter and may we have a statement?	Shaun Flanagan Assistant National Director, HSE, Primary Care Reimbursement Service
15.12.20/14	Cllr Charlie O'Connor	To ask for a report on actions being taken in Tallaght to support those involved in Suicide Prevention which remains a matter of serious concern to many and may we have a statement?	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
15.12.20/15	Cllr Mark Leigh	Has the Primary Care Centre in Celbridge Psychology Service been reopened yet and if not how much longer will it take for it to reopen?	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
15.12.20/16	Cllr Peggy O'Dwyer	Can the HSE provide an update on the access to the Flesh Glucose Monitoring System to all Diabetic patients over 4yrs of age	Shaun Flanagan Assistant National Director, HSE, Primary Care Reimbursement Service
15.12.20/17	Cllr Peggy O'Dwyer	Is the HSE HPV schools Vaccination Programme on target in this Covid 19 restraints	Yvonne Morrissey Communications Manager HSE National Immunisation Office
15.12.20/18	Cllr Vincent Jackson	To ask the HSE what are the various categories for deaths in the Republic of Ireland, the numbers involved over the past 4 years on a yearly basis. Composition of deaths % wise under the 7 leading causes of death and what percentage to date in 2020 is from Coronavirus	Kirsty MacKenzie Knowledge Management and Communications Officer HSE-Health Protection Surveillance Centre The Central Statistics Office
15.12.20/19	Cllr Mark Leigh	Can the CEO of CH07 please tell me the current waiting time for children who are getting AON to the time they receive Occupational and speech therapy or see a psychologist?	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
		Please provide tabular format comparative year-on-year statistical data detailing the number of people with intellectual disabilities being supported by HSE-funded residential services (including	Martina Queally, Chief Officer, Community Healthcare East, Dublin South, East Dun Laoghaire & Wicklow CHO6

15.12.20/20	Cllr David Quinn	community group homes) for the period 2004 to 2017 by CHO area. By “HSE-funded”, I ask that you include both Section 38 and 39 agencies, as well as those operated by HSE. Please provide comparative data for the State for the same period	Sarah McBride, Chief Officer, Midlands Louth Meath Healthcare Organisation (CHO8)  Ann O’Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
15.12.20/21	Cllr Vanessa Liston	What is the HSE’s communication strategy on the child flu vaccine and will this strategy be improved given the low awareness and uptake of the vaccine?	HSE Communications Division

6. Chairperson’s Correspondence – Email Request from Mary Freehill

7. Date and Time of next meetings:-

- Committee: Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021 at 2:00pm;
- Forum: Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 2:00pm.



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Cllr. Paraic Brady  
Chairperson

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