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AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
OF THE
REGIONAL HEALTH FORUM DUBLIN MID LEINSTER

Venue: The Boardroom, Health Service Executive Office, Arden Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly.

Date: Tuesday, 17th September, 2019 at 2:30pm

1. Adoption of minutes of meeting of the Regional Health Forum - Dublin Mid Leinster held on Tuesday, 23rd July, 2019.
(attached)
2. Health Service Executive Updates
(to be circulated at meeting)
3. Presentation on: ‘HPV for boys’ by Yvonne Morrissey Communications Manager with the National Immunisation Office.
4. Motions

Motion 1

That the HSE carry out an urgent review of the medical card application system. From recent experience I found that it is taking at least 10 days to process further information in relation to applications. There is no provision for urgent cases in need of medical cards

Cllr. Mary Freehill

Motion 2

That this Regional Health Forum Dublin Mid Leinster calls for effective action on the waiting lists crisis at Tallaght University Hospital; may we have details of those outpatients lists and may we have a full statement for discussion?

Cllr. Charlie O'Connor

Motion 3

That the Members of this Health Forum sympathise with the many families who have been affected by the tragedy of drug addiction. That this Forum calls on the HSE and the Department of Health to outline the current national response to the present Drugs Crisis and that this Forum discusses initiatives it can take to address the Crisis in this Region.

Motion 4

That this Regional Health Forum reject the proposal by the HSE to close the South Westmeath Hospice facility in Athlone.

Cllr. Frankie Keena

5. Questions

Question Ref:-17.09.19/01

Inter-Agency Collaboration:

In view of the need to have inter-agency collaboration between HSE and local authorities, Dept of Housing, etc., and as detailed in the National Housing Strategy for People with Disabilities and the Terms of Reference for the Housing & Disability Steering Groups, I note on page 26 that “HSE does not maintain any records to indicate the number of people they support with a disability that may have applied for social housing”. How can a Council plan to meet the housing need of people with a disability without knowledge of and/or update on the status of the Assessment of Independent Living Support Needs and the corresponding funding?

Cllr. David Quinn

Question 17.09.19/02

Planning for Future Supported Living Needs for people with disabilities:

In answering the previous question submitted to HSE on its planning for future supported living needs for people with disabilities, it was noted that HSE’s answer was: “As a result there is a cohort of people with disabilities still living inappropriately at home or in large community group homes that are not a priority for HSE support at this time” (page 26). Based on a review of the NIDD (National Intellectual Disability Database) from the HRB, it is noted that the national capacity of accommodation for people with intellectual disability has reduced over the last 10 years, and at an accelerated pace over more recent years.

Therefore, “at this time” has been ongoing for over a decade. Based on this being contrary to Article 19 of UNCRPD and General Comment No.5, can HSE advise what timescale it?

Cllr. David Quinn

Question 17.09.19/03

Post RT (Rehabilitative Training) Services:

On leaving school, persons with intellectual disabilities are provided with RT in adult day disability services. Typically, I understand that this is for a 3 to 4 year period. What is HSE’s policy in this regard, both in relation to RT and after RT?

Cllr. David Quinn

Question 17.09.19/04

To ask the Manager to outline current plans for Baggot Street Hospital.

Cllr Dermot Lacey

Question 17.09.19/05

To ask the Manager if they will facilitate the request from the Pembroke Road Association to allow them tend to the small gardens either side of the main entrance to Baggot Street Hospital.

Cllr. Dermot Lacey

Question 17.09.19/06

Can HSE confirm their commitment to maintain and keep open the 4 bedded Hospice Unit which is attached to St.Vincent's Care Centre Athlone.

Cllr Tom Farrell

Question 17.09.19/07

Could the HSE outline their plans for the 50 Bedded Unit at Clonbrusk Athlone.

Cllr Tom Farrell

Question 17.09.19/08

To ask following on from the Independent Rapid Review of Specific Issues in the Cervical Check Screening Programme part 6 Analysis & Conclusions (6.1) (b) references that GP's may not have read communication carefully and may have not paid particular attention to GP4 Letter, has there been an update to procedures to ensure that communication does not fail or is missed at such a vital level i.e. between GP and patient.

Cllr Teresa Costello

Question 17.09.19/09

To ask when will Nolvadex D 20mg (a brand of Tamoxifen) will be back in stock and available to patients, what is the reason that this particular brand is short and has been for at least 3 months now?

Cllr Teresa Costello

Question 17.09.19/10

To ask for an update on efforts being made to deal with all Home Help requests in the Tallaght and general Dublin South West area and may we have a statement?

Cllr Charlie O'Connor

Question 17.09.19/11

To ask for a full report on the number of Medical Cards cancelled in this region in 2018 and so far in 2019 including reasons for such decisions and may we have a statement?

Cllr Charlie O'Connor

Question 17.09.19/12

To ask for a progress report on the Building Programme of the new Urgent Care Centre at Tallaght University Hospital including confirmation of the schedule being followed and may we also have full details of services to be provided and assurances in respect of services available to our catchment and may we have a statement?

Cllr Charlie O'Connor

Question 17.09.19/13

Can the HSE give the up to date position with the provision of psychology services in the Athy / Baltinglass/ Dunlavin areas and confirm the waiting times for that area.

Cllr Mark Wall

Question 17.09.19/14

Can the members be given an update on the provision of patient transport for the CH07 area. Is there an issue with budget and what criteria is being used for selecting patients for travel.

Cllr Mark Wall

Question 17.09.19/15

Can the members be given an update on the upgrade of housing at McCauley court, St VINCENTS Hospital in Athy. When can we expect a much needed upgrade on the housing at this location and will those currently living there be affected.

Cllr Mark Wall

Question 17.09.19/16

To ask the Manager what provision has been made for Dementia Patients in the new Tymon North Nursing Home Facility?

Cllr Deirdre O'Donovan

6. Chairperson's Correspondence

7. Date and Time of next meetings:-

- Committee: Tuesday, 15th October, 2019 at 2:30pm;
- Forum: Tuesday, 19th November, 2019 at 2:30pm.



Cllr. Deirdre O'Donovan
Chairperson