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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 Conference **Date:** Tuesday, 20th October, 2020 at 2pm – 4pm

- 1. Adoption of minutes of meeting of the Regional Health Forum Dublin Mid Leinster held on Tuesday, 16th June, 2020 (attached)
- 2. Health Service Executive Updates
- 3. Presentation on Foetal Alcohol Syndrome by Dr. Mary T. O'Mahony
- 4. Motions

Motion			
Number	Proposed by	Motion	Responded by
	Cllr. Charlie O'Connor	That this Forum calls for an update on the development of the new National Children's Hospital detailing the schedule now being followed and may we have a statement?	Rhonda Evans Communications Manager National Paediatric Hospital Development Board
	Cllr. Paul Ross Cllr. PJ Reilly Cllr. Padraic	That the Child Psychologist service be restored to a full service in Co Longford and that addition supports be put in place to remove the current	Dr Ronan Gibney, Psychology
2	Brady	long waiting list to access this service	Longford/Westmeath
3	Cllr. Hazel Smyth	That the day centre facilities and inperson mental health services provided by the HSE at St.Lomans Hospital, Mullingar be re-instated as	Dervila Eyres, Head of Mental Health Services Midlands Louth Meath Community Healthcare

		a matter of urgent priority	Organisation
4	Cllr. Joe Behan	That the HSE provide a comprehensive report on the present provision of community based neuro rehabilitation services in Nth Wicklow for patients with Acquired Brain Injury. That this Forum calls on the Department of Health to provide funding for the appointment of adult speech and language services as well as occupational therapy services in the Nth Wicklow area to address the current chronic deficit in the provision of these services and that funding provision nationally be increased for these services and for additional financial aid for Acquired Brain Injury Ireland which is doing the impossible in trying to address this deficit on behalf of the people they serve.	Martina Queally, Chief Officer, Community Healthcare East, Dublin South, East Dun Laoghaire & Wicklow CHO6
		That this Forum views with concern any charging for over the phone consultation (during the COVID-19 emergency) by GP's in the GMS service, of medical card holders including the over 70's. That an	
5	Cllr. Carrie Smyth	instruction issue to all GP's in the GMS service to cease this practice as it is causing confusion and anxiety for medical card holders especially the elderly	Geraldine Crowley, Assistant National Director, Primary Care Strategy and Planning.

5. Questions

Question Number	Proposed by	Question	Responded by
20.10.20/01	Cllr. Charlie O'Connor Cllr. Charlie	To ask what actions are being taken to deal with the Covid 19 crisis in the Tallaght area; may we have figures on cases and fatalities in July, August and September last and may we have a general statement in the matter?	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South , Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
	O'Connor	To ask for assurances that sufficient	

20.10.20/02		resources are being made available to allow for the effective delivery of services at the Emergency Department of Tallaght University Hospital; may we also have confirmation of the level of activity in recent months and may we have a statement?	Trevor O'Callaghan Chief Executive Officer Dublin Midland Hospital Group
20.10.20/03	Cllr. Charlie O'Connor	To ask for an update on the operation of Tymon North Community Nursing Home, Tallaght, including the number of beds currently occupied and plans for the remainder of the beds; may we also have confirmation of any plans for the recruitment of additional staff and may we have a statement in the matter?	Ann O'Shea, Chief Officer, - Dublin South , Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare CHO7
20.10.20/04	Cllr Hazel Smyth	What is the current timeline for the establishment of the new MRI scanner at Mullingar Regional Hospital that is required urgently, due to individuals waiting approximately 2 years for a MRI scan in relation to serious heart conditions?	Mr. Declan Lyons CEO, Ireland East Hospital Group
20.10.20/05	Cllr Hazel Smyth	Can birthing partners attend birth of new-born children in Mullingar Regional Hospital, in line with WHO guidance?	Mr. Declan Lyons CEO, Ireland East Hospital Group
20.10.20/06	Cllr. Carrie Smyth	To ask the CEO to confirm the following in relation to whether or not a listed GP under the GMS Services is entitled to charge a fee to medical card holders for an over the phone consultation during the present COVID-19 Emergency crisis and if this received recent Government approval	Geraldine Crowley, Assistant National Director, Primary Care Strategy and Planning
20 10 20/07	Cllr. Carrie Smyth	To ask the CEO the length of time it takes for results of a COVID-19 test to be communicated to patients, as I am aware of two constituents who got tested on Wednesday the 23 rd of September in Irishtown Stadium, one of the constituents got their results the following day Thursday the 24 th and the other is still awaiting the results.	HSE
20.10.20/07	Smyth	the results.	H2F

As a Public Representative I have noticed discrepancies in relation to the provision of Home Help / Home Support services in Laois and the surrounding Counties which often leads to delay in people being discharged from Hospital to their homes due to slowness of having Home Help / Home Support in place and this also leads to increased costs to the State . On this basis I wish to request the following details in relation to Home Help / Home Support Service separately The amount of funding allocated to the following Counties Laois /Carlow /Kilkenny/Kildare/ Offaly/Tipperary per head of population Pat Bennett, Chief The number of Home Help Home Officer, Midlands Louth Support Hours allocated to the Meath Healthcare above Counties and also per head of Organisation (CHO8) population, The number on the waiting lists in Ann O'Shea, Chief the above Counties per head of Officer, - Dublin South population , Kildare & The waiting times for above West Wicklow Counties The numbers for the Community Healthcare above who have received a service Cllr Padraig 20.10.20/08 (CHO7) in 2019 and 2020 year to date Fleming

- 6. Chairperson's Correspondence
- 7. Date and Time of next meetings:-
- Committee: Tuesday, 15th December 2020 at 2:00pm;
- Forum: Tuesday, 17th November 2020 at 2:00pm.

Signed:

Cllr. Paraic Brady Chairperson

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