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

Venue: Hybrid/ Boardroom, HSE Area Office, Tullamore, Co Offaly **Date:** Tuesday, 21st of June at 2.00pm – 4pm

- Adoption of minutes of meeting of the Regional Health Forum Dublin Mid Leinster held on Tuesday, 17th May 2022 (attached)
- 2. Health Service Executive Updates
- 3. Presentation by Sandra Broderick Older People's Services including the Single Assessment Tool (InterRAI) and allocation of home care hours and packages

4. Motions

| Motion | | | |
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| Number | Proposed by | Motion | Responded by |
| 1 | Cllr. Vanessa Liston | That the HSE explain why GPs are charging old age pensioners with medical cards for blood tests. | Geraldine Crowley, Assistant National Director, Enhanced Community Care Programme & Primary Care Contracts |
| 2 | Cllr Charlie O'Connor | That this Regional Health Forum-Dublin Mid Leinster calls for action with regard to waiting lists for Speech and Language Therapy in Tallaght and Dublin South West; may we have assurances that action is being taken and may we have a statement? | Gillian Farrelly, Interim Head of Service Primary Care, HSE Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow/ CHO7 |
| 3 | Cllr Mary Freehill | That the HSE develop a programme to encourage older people to return to St Mary's Richmond Hill Rathmines. Since reopening post Covid older people are slow to return, yet in other areas numbers are back up on senior citizens centres. The HSE need to develop a way of getting people to return for lunch and for social events as well as making the service known to newer OAP's | Gillian Farrelly, Interim Head of Service Primary Care, HSE Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow/ CHO7 |

5. Questions

| Question | Proposed | | |
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| Number | by | Question | Responded by |
| 1 | Cllr. Vanessa Liston | Does the HSE have a plan for reducing medical waste in light of national climate targets and circular economy strategy? | Dr Phillip Crowley, National Director of Strategy and Research |
| 2 | Cllr Teresa Costello | To ask when the decision was taken to suspend preventative mastectomies in St James Hospital, is this a temporary measure and why is this vital service halted? | Trevor O'Callaghan, CEO Dublin Midlands Hospital Group |
| 3 | Cllr Teresa Costello | To ask what supports are in place for children with disabilities when the reach 16? | Response from CHO7 Disabilities, CHO6 and CHO8 Disabilities |
| 4 | Cllr Maire Devine | To ask how to progress the request for a no cost purchase of Cariban medication from women who suffer from severe morning sickness during pregnancy. It is an effective treatment that allows women to lead a relatively normal life without crippling nausea and associated ailments. It needs to be readily available and free for all women during pregnancy, especially during the first trimester | Response provided by Linda Fitzharris Chief II Pharmacist Pharmacy Function HSE Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service |
| 5 | Cllr Charlie O'Connor | To ask if there has been any progress over the past month in dealing with the admitted delays at the Emergency Department of Tallaght University Hospital and may we have a statement? | Trevor O'Callaghan, CEO Dublin Midlands Hospital Group |
| 6 | Cllr Charlie O'Connor | To ask what actions are being taken to promote the message from HSE in the Tallaght Region in respect of the challenge of Climate Change and may we have a statement? | Response provided by John Reilly, Project Manager, HSE Estates |
| 7 | Čllr Charlie O'Connor | To ask if the HSE has plans to immediately respond positively to the campaign by a Cancer patient in Tallaght to provide Medical Cards for Cancer patients and may we have a statement? | Geraldine Crowley, Assistant National Director, Enhanced Community Care Programme & Primary Care Contracts |
| 8 | Cllr Mark Leigh | Can the HSE tell me the waiting list for Camhs in CHO7 and what measures that are being taken to reduce it? | Response provided by CHO7 Mental Health |

| 9 | Cllr. | Can the HSE explain the reasoning for the request | Response |
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| | Vanessa | around the need for the term 'clinically appropriate' that | provided by |
| | Liston | was the subject of concern in the National Maternity | IEHG |
| | | Hospital contract? | |
| 10 | Cllr. | Can the HSE outline its role, and activities where | Response |
| | Vanessa | relevant, in promoting the need for homes to test for | provided by Dr |
| | Liston | radon levels? | Ina Kelly |

- 6. Chairperson's Correspondence Draft Letter to minister7. Date and Time of next meeting:-
- Forum AGM : Tuesday, 19^{th} of July at 2.00pm. Forum: Tuesday 20^{th} of September at 2.00pm

Signed:

Cllr. PJ Reilly Chairperson