

Draft Minutes

HSE Special Directorate Meeting

Held on Tuesday 5 February 2019 at 3:00 pm

DG Meeting Room, Dr Steevens Hospital

Members Present: A. O'Connor (Chair), D. Sullivan, C. Henry, R. Mannion, L. Woods (Via Telecon)

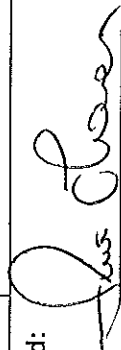
Apologies: S. Mulvany

In Attendance: S. O'Keeffe, J. O'Sullivan, Secretary

Item No.	Sub Item No.	Title of Paper Presented / Key Discussion Points	Agreed Action / Decision	Responsible	Due Date/ Review Date
1		Chairman's Remarks & Directorate Members' Discussion			
		<p>The Chair welcomed members to a Special Directorate meeting convened to have a focused discussion in relation to the Slaintecare Action Plan 2019. It was also agreed that the Directorate would take the opportunity to discuss the nurses' dispute.</p> <p>No conflicts of interest were declared.</p>		Chair	
2		<p>Slaintecare Action Plan 2019</p> <p>The Directorate discussed the Draft Slaintecare Action Plan 2019 which had been shared by the Slaintecare Implementation Office.</p> <p>D. Sullivan and S. O'Keeffe provided background and context to the on-going engagement process, followed by a discussion where observations included the views that the Directorate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fully supports implementation of Slaintecare, • Looks forward to working together on implementation with aligned priorities • Welcomes the opportunity to feed into the process prior to publishing the plan • Is happy to provide relevant senior staff and subject 	<p>The Directorate agreed that a letter should issue to the Slaintecare Executive Director confirming the support of the HSE Directorate and Leadership Team and indicating the willingness to provide appropriate senior personnel to support implementation. However, the letter should also outline some of the Directorate's concerns and requesting a further joint workshop between senior personnel in the HSE and Department.</p>	Secretary	February 2018

		<p>matter experts to work on committees;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has some concerns in terms of the scale of ambition set out for 2019 • Sees challenges with the ability of the system to support this level of change • Would welcome the opportunity to discuss the prioritisation process and the amount of focus areas • Would like to discuss alignment with the NSP 2019 • Notes that some terminology needs to be better understood by HSE 			
3		<p>Nurses' Dispute</p> <p>R. Mannion provided an update in relation to the nurses' dispute and the challenges associated with the industrial action by the INMO and PNA and on the government response in relation to public pay policy. L. Woods provided an update in relation to the cumulative effect that the one day strikes are having on the service and expressed concerns as to the ability of the service to absorb the further strain that a three-day strike would put on the system in terms of patient safety.</p>	<p>The Directorate agreed that there is a requirement to keep a close eye on developments to ensure that the HSE is in a position to judge its ability to continue to provide safe services during the on-going dispute. In particular the risks associated with missed diagnostic opportunities were noted.</p> <p>A decision will be taken following a briefing due later in the evening as to the necessity to formally alert the Department of Health in relation to the safety of services.</p>	L. Woods	February 2018
4		<p>Any Other Business</p>			
		<p>No items were raised</p>			
		<p>The meeting concluded at 4:30 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for 26 February 2019</p>			

Signed:



A. O'Connor
Chairperson

Date: 8/3/19