

**Minutes of the HSE Directorate meeting
Thursday, 19th May, 2016**

Directorate Members Present: T. O'Brien (Chairman), S. Mulvany, A. O'Connor, S. O'Keeffe, J. Hennessy and P. Crowley

Apologies: L. Woods and P. Healy

In attendance P. Connors and D. Purcell (Secretary)

Joined the Meeting: None

Time & Location: NTPF Offices, Ashford House, Tara St., Dublin 2 at 3.30pm

Item	Discussion / Comments	Action
1	Health (Pricing and Supply of Medical Goods) Act 2013	
	<p>The Director General informed the meeting that he had been advised the State's negotiations with the Irish Pharmaceutical Healthcare Association (IPHA) had failed to reach a satisfactory agreement and that he wished to consult the Directorate in relation to invoking the powers available to the HSE under the Health (Pricing and Supply of Medical Goods) Act 2013.</p> <p>J. Hennessy briefed the Directorate in relation to the negotiations with IPHA and the range of factors the HSE is now obliged to consider as set out in his letter to the Director General and the legal advice received.</p> <p>The Director General confirmed that he was satisfied that, based on the changed circumstances, there is cause to review relevant reimbursement prices and the procedures to do this under the 2013 Act would now be commenced.</p>	

The meeting concluded at 4.25pm

Signed:

Date:

Tony O'Brien
Chairman
