Health Budget Oversight Group Minutes

30th July 2020, 1:30pm.

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1. Previous Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the previous HBOG meeting of 23 July 2020, with minor amendments from Department of Health and HSE, were accepted.

2. Discussion of COVID19 Funding Position

A discussion took place on the various elements of COVID19 Health funding i.e. clarifications in reporting, expenditure to date and expected end-year positions. It was agreed that further work will needed to clarify this outline work but that the working figures represented a useful start to this. . In relation to PPE, it was discussed that the year-end position was difficult to estimate, but a future update of the IGEES analysis including the external quality assurance process for the HBOG would provide more detail, and thus we would return to this after the HBOG recess. Further questions remain and follow-ups are expected to be undertaken in coming weeks.

3. AOB

DPER query on PCRS New Developments funding: it was asked how much of this has been spent to date, and a high level response was provided by DoH. DoH to follow up with Vote with more detailed picture.

Technical meeting(s) at AP level in advance of next HBOG was discussed however due to annual leave across all teams over the period it was agreed that they would not all take place before September.

Date/time for next meeting TBC – suggested 27 August 2020.