Medical Devices Criticality Assessment Group
Tuesday, 14th April 2020

Attendees: HSE: Fergal Collins, Emma Benton, Prof. George Mellotte, Ger Flynn, Brendan White, Dr. Vida Hamilton, Martin Quinlivan.
HPRA: Nicola Hickie, Niall MacAleenan
DoH: Colm O’Loughlin, Karen McNamara, Mary Hyland.

Apologies: HSE: Sean Bresnan, John Griffin, Dr. Michael Power, Prof. Ross Morgan, John Hennessy,
HPRA: Judith Martin.
DoH: Breifne O’Rourke, Deirdre McCaughey

- Ventilators
  - Sourcing of ventilators continuing as part of preparations against risk of surge conditions.
  - Derogation request for specific emergency ventilator being considered by HPRA and HSE.
  - All hospitals remained fully serviced

- Test kits
  - Local manufacturer has confirmed that they can produce reagents for local supplier of testing equipment.
  - New testing kit from Asia currently being validated by NVRL.

- PPE
  - All hospitals remain supplied with surgical masks in the short-term. New type of surgical mask from an international source approved for use.
  - Respirator masks: domestic production now at 50k per day with daily consumption at 45k
  - Large deliveries of gowns and protective suits due this week, stocks currently low.
  - Second large batch of PPE deliveries via transport from China due to commence on 19 April. As with first batch, 3-4 daily flights for total of approx. 60 flights.
  - Notwithstanding ongoing short-term pressures, HSE is developing long-term, sustainable arrangements in place to reduce reliance on imported products (e.g. facilitating potential import of machinery to produce FFP2 masks)

- CRRT machines and consumables
  - Additional stocks of consumables delivered in past week, with additional orders due end of this week.
  - Clinicians examining intermittent haemodialysis as further contingency if necessary
  - Hospital system has been notified of additional training requirements, to manage stocks.
  - Orders have been placed for additional reverse osmosis machines.
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