Medical Devices Criticality Assessment Group  
Thursday, 2nd July 2020

Attendees:  
HSE: Fergal Collins (Chair), Ger Flynn, Emma Benton, Martin Quinlivan, Prof. George Mellotte  
DoH: Colm O’Loughlin, Karen McNamara, Breifne O’Rourke  
HPRA: Dr. Niall MacAleenan, Nicola Hickie

Apologies:  
HSE: Dr. Vida Hamilton, Brendan White  
DoH: David Bolger, Mary Hyland  
HPRA: Judith Martin, Sinead Duggan, Nicola Hickie

Agenda
1. Risks & Issues  
2. Review of Open Actions  
3. AOB

- Ventilators:  
  o Stocks are sufficient to supply anticipated surge requirements, regardless of ventilators deemed unsuitable for use and withdrawn.  
  o Further deliveries are not required.  
  o DoH, HSE and HPRA to discuss offline the potential use of excess stock of ventilators.

- Infusion pumps:  
  o Stocks exceed target based on anticipated surge requirements.

- Syringe drivers:  
  o HSE expect that targeted number of syringe drivers will be reached approximately ten days.  
  o All hospitals remain fully serviced; contingency supplies is the focus of ongoing procurement.

- Testing:  
  o Stock remains strong.

- PPE:  
  o Stocks continue to grow.  
  o Current stocks would allow the health service to absorb a dramatic increase in demand for 4-6 weeks.  
    ▪ The target is to extend that buffer to 3 months.  
    ▪ HSE hope to achieve this buffer by October 2020.  
  o Increase in recent weeks of demand of certain items is thought to derive from the reopening of services.  
  o Increased storage capacity continues to be sought to facilitate increased stocks.  
  o HPRA and HSE advised that they are collaborating to reduce reliance on Commission Recommendation 2020/403.
HPRA advised that they can provide regulatory guidance to companies that need to ensure compliance with CE-marking requirements.

- **CRRT:**
  - NRO advised that there are sufficient stocks for current service demands. NRO currently assessing what items will require further stockpiling.
  - HSE and NRO are currently assessing the needs posed by increased dialysis demand (resulting from reduced transplant services).

- Next meeting: 16 July. Consideration to be given to the standing down of the MDCAG in its current form.