Medical Devices Criticality Assessment Group

Thursday, 21st May 2020

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

Apologies:  
HSE: Ross Morgan, Dr. Vida Hamilton
HPRA: Judith Martin

Agenda

1. Risks & Issues
2. Review of Open Actions
3. Non-CE-marked PPE and devices
4. AOB

- Ventilators:
  - On track to meet targeted stock of ventilators by mid-June

- Syringe drivers:
  - There remains a significant gap as regards the targeted stock to service anticipated surge requirements.
  - Deliveries are ongoing, with further orders being sought
  - All ICUs remain fully serviced. Additional supplies sought amount to surge contingency, rather than immediate need.

- Infusion pumps: procurement target will be exceeded this week.

- Testing:
  - Stock procurement for required capacity of tests per day achieved.
  - Work is continuing on building resilience in supplies.
  - No move in testing strategy towards antibody testing has been communicated from NPHET.

- PPE:
  - Masks: targeted stock level achieved with HSE looking at supplying broader health services demand.
  - Hand Gel: HSE continue to work on building indigenous production capacity

- Dialysis Bloodlines
HSE continues to work with suppliers to increase haemodialysis capacity over the coming months.

- In preparation for any potential change made by the European Commission with respect to the Commission Recommendation 2020/403 for non-CE marked devices and PPE in circulation, HSE confirms that all PPE purchased have CE certification.
- Next meeting to be held Thursday, 28th May 2020 at 12:00.