



National Review of Specialist Cardiac Services – Progress Update 2 July 2018

Steering Group Meetings

The Steering Group met on 25th May and 29th June 2018.

New Steering Group members

Following promotion to a new role within the HSE Dr Colm Henry has left the Steering Group, Dr Ivan Casserly (Consultant Interventional Cardiologist, Mater Misericordiae Hospital) has been nominated by the HSE to replace him.

Progress

- *Project Plan* – The Project Plan was approved previously by the Steering Group on the 30th April. This plan envisages the National Review submitting its Final Report in June 2019, within the 18 month timeframe.
- *Public Consultation* - The public consultation is live until 17th August. The survey can be accessed at the following link:
https://dohresearch.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3PpursZru30J1e5
- *Stakeholder Consultation* -The Steering Group has agreed that a stakeholder consultation will take place in Quarter 4 2018 – potentially October. Details are being finalised and invitations will be issued to relevant stakeholders at a later date.
- *Communication* – A dedicated webpage was created for the Review on the Department of Health website. This page contains all minutes of meetings (once approved by the Steering Group), press releases, FAQs etc.
- *Data* – In depth analysis of data from a range of sources including HSE HIPE system, public hospitals is outgoing and feeding into the Steering Groups work. A survey has been issued to all public hospitals. A survey into Private Hospitals is currently being finalised.

- *Evidence Review* – The Evidence Review will potentially deliver individual synthesis reports in relation to four broad topic areas:
 - Acute Coronary Syndrome
 - Heart Failure
 - Cardiac Arrhythmias
 - Supplementary miscellanea within the scope of the National Review

The reports will provide for each topic area a synthesis of the clinical and cost-effectiveness evidence for optimum service design for adult specialist cardiac services within a national context based on a set of prioritised questions.

The draft questions were brought to the Steering Group for discussion in June. A subgroup of the Steering Group will finalise the questions once a 3rd party contractor has been appointed.

Upcoming Activity in August-October 2018

- August 17th, 2018 – Deadline for public consultation submissions.
- August 2018 – Commence organisation of Stakeholder Consultation
- August 2018- Drafting the criteria for international best practice sites
- September 2018- Preliminary analysis of public consultation data
- September 3rd, 2018 – Steering Group meeting
- September 28th, 2018 – Steering Group meeting
- October, 2018 – Stakeholder Consultation