



## National Review of Specialist Cardiac Services – Progress Update 4

### Steering Group Meetings

The Steering Group met on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 and 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

### Progress

- *Consultation* -A stakeholder consultation took place on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Department of Health, Miesian Plaza. All relevant stakeholders were invited to take part in the event and a report is being prepared on the consultation.
- *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, progress reports, 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 was issued to all public hospitals and analysis is now complete of the data returned from Acute Hospitals. A report has been presented to the Steering Group at its January meeting. A survey into Private Hospitals has commenced and follow up for any outstanding data is underway.
- *Evidence Review* – The protocol is now ready for sign off by the Chair and the Steering Group and HRB-CICER have started work on the evidence review.
- *International Best Practice* –. Generic standards for best practice sites have been identified. Specialist standards will be informed by HRB-CICER’s work.

### Upcoming Activity in February 2019- April 2019

- February 2019 – Planning for site visits to Irish hospitals begin.
- February – April 2019 – On-going Stakeholder Engagement
- February – April 2019 – HRB CICER working on Evidence Based Review
- March 11<sup>th</sup> – Steering Group meeting
- April 29<sup>th</sup> – Steering Group meeting