

COVID-19 Communications and Behavioural Advisory Group

Meeting 7

Date: 04/12/20

Time: 09: 00

Venue: Video Conference

Attendance: Deirdre Watters (DOH), Deirdre Robertson (ESRI), Liam Delaney (UCD), Marie Boran (DCU), Karl Purcell (SEAI), Rachel Wright (HSE), Rosaleen Harlin (DOH), Angela McGloinn (UL), Barbara Gormley (DCU), Gerard O'Neill (Amárach Research), Pete Lunn (ESRI), Molly Byrne (NUIG), Orla Muldoon (UL), Robert Murphy (DOH), Fiona Gilligan (DOH), Aileen McGloin (SafeFood).

Apologies: Sheila Caulfield (DOH) Lyndsey Drea (DOH), Elaine Scanlon (DFHERIS), Sinéad O'Donnell (DOH)

Agenda

- Review of data on vaccine acceptance
- AOB

Agenda Item 1:

- Comparatively high proportion of people think they had COVID-19 but weren't tested.
- Hesitancy understandable given the lack of information on data on specific vaccines. People need time and data to give informed consent
- The level of hesitancy is consistent with what has been observed through the pandemic – that the public are more cautious and risk averse than the media narrative on many aspects of COVID-19

AOB:

- Literature on intention to vaccinate circulated to the group