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Reimbursement of Abbott FreeStyle Libre Sensor effective 1st April 2018

Dear Pharmacist,

Following review by the HSE Health Technology Assessment Group (HTAG), reimbursement of the Abbott FreeStyle Libre sensor has been approved under Community Drug Schemes from 1st April 2018. The FreeStyle Libre flash glucose monitoring system is intended to be used as an alternative to current glucose monitoring methods for people who administer multiple daily injections of insulin.

Due to the budget impact associated with this medicine, PCRS is introducing a reimbursement application system. This will be confined to children and young adults who require multiple dose injections of insulin in the first instance, with a review after twelve months. The reimbursement application can be made by the Consultant Endocrinologist responsible for the initiation of treatment through the PCRS Hospital Application Suite.

Approval can be confirmed through the 'Eligibility Confirmation' on the Pharmacy Application Suite under 'Patient Specific Arrangements'. Pharmacies can dispense and claim for FreeStyle Libre sensors electronically using the administrative code for the product, submitting in the normal manner with monthly claims. Claims submitted for patients who are not approved will not be paid.

Administrative Code	Drug Name	Pack Size	Pharmaceutical Form	Reimbursement Price (incl. VAT)
86900	FreeStyle Libre	1	Sensor	€55.35

Each FreeStyle Libre sensor has a 14 day wear period. Reimbursement is available for 26 sensors per patient per year by the HSE. In the event that a replacement sensor is required outside the normal 14 day wear period, please contact Abbott to organise a replacement in line with their FreeStyle Libre sensor replacement policy.

Yours faithfully,

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