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**PQ3199/24- Deputy Duncan Smith-To ask the Minister for Health the number of meetings of the HSE drugs group that took place in 2023; the number of medicines considered for recommendation at each meeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Smith,

Thank you for your representation.

The HSE Drugs Group convened on 11 occasions over the course of 2023.

Please see table below outlining the number of medicines considered at each Drugs Group meeting in 2023:

Number of items considered by the Drugs Group											
	January	February	March	April	May	June	August	September	October	November	December
2023	4	5	3	5	4	4	3	4	6	4	5

The Drugs Group minutes are available online at the following link:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/cpu/drugs-group-minutes/>

I hope this provides you with some assistance.

Yours sincerely

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