

Outcome of the Process - Public Consultation on proposed Human Medicines, Compliance fees and Veterinary Medicines for 2021

1 RESPONSE TO THE CONSULTATION

The HPRA received three responses from industry representative groups.

The HPRA welcomes all the suggestions and contributions made as part of our fee consultation. This document is a summary of the outcome of the consultation.

2 SUMMARY OF RESPONSES RECEIVED

Two responses were received from the human medicines industry representative groups and one from the veterinary medicines industry. The responses welcomed the HPRA's proposal to freeze fees for 2021 in recognition of the change in circumstances arising from COVID-19 and BREXIT. Additionally, one response raised a specific fee issue relating to batch specific requests and we have responded directly to the industry group agreeing to their proposal.

3 CONCLUSION

Overall, the representative bodies welcomed the freeze in fees for 2021. The HPRA's primary objective is the protection of public health but in delivering this we are committed to providing a first class service to the industry we regulate. We will continue to review the cost base of the HPRA and related fees. As always we commit to reviewing our fees annually to ensure that the fee levels are appropriate to the functions and costs of the HPRA.

Consequently, we propose to submit the fee structure as outlined in the original consultation document to the Minister for Health and the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for approval.

We would like to thank all those that contributed to the consultation process.