GMS SCHEME ENTRY

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From: Department of Health and Children, Ireland To: Each GP Unit Manager / Primary Care Manager

Re: GMS Scheme Entry

Further to my previous correspondence (together with draft documentation) of 14 June and 5 July on this matter I would like to thank you for your observations on both drafts.

I have now considered the observations made on the 5 July version and as a result have made certain minimal changes to the Application Form, namely now including a provision in relation to the examination of premises.

I have also reconsidered the draft amendment to the contract and have decided on the basis of comments received that the earlier version in the draft of 14 June is more appropriate. The earlier draft made no reference to former private patients but focussed instead on new medical card holders.

I would now suggest that applications for limited or full contracts under these new one-off arrangements be processed.

I am forwarding a copy of the attached to the GMS (Payments) Board for their attention and action.

Finally in order to establish how the process works in practice, I would be obliged if you would forward a report to me at the end of September on your experiences up to that date with these arrangements.

Peter Lennon GMS Division 12 July 1999