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Dear Colleagues

REBUILDING HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SERVICES

Following on from my commitment to update you all after the meetings of the Management Board, please find below my update from the meeting held on Wednesday 20 October 2021.

The Board received an update on the Encompass Programme. The update included the need for standardisation, recent challenges and actions taken to address these challenges.

The Board also received an update on the Medicines Optimisation Regional Efficiency Programme. The update included increasing compliance with cost effective prescribing policies, over-the-counter (OTC) medicines, specials, nutritional prescribing and stoma appliances.

I trust that you find this update helpful and I look forward to our continuing discussion on the vitally important work of rebuilding HSC services in the weeks and months ahead.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Robin Swann'.

Robin Swann MLA
Minister of Health