South Dublin County Council



Mr. Leo Varadkar T.D., Minister for Health, Hawkins House, Hawkins Street, Dublin 2.

Our Ref.: M32/0914 6th October 2014.

Re: Motion Passed at Meeting of South Dublin County Council (M32/0914)

Dear Minister Varadkar,

The following motion was **MOVED** without debate at the meeting of South Dublin County Council held on 22nd September 2014:-

"With the knowledge that Anaphylaxis is on rise following a W.H.O. (World Health Organisation) survey in 2010, and considering the preventable death of 14 year old Emma Sloan, in Dublin from Anaphylaxis, on O'Connell Street, Dublin after her mother was refused an EpiPen by a pharmacist as she didn't have Emma's prescription with her. I call on South Dublin Council to give their full support to the campaign Emma's Voice and request that HSE and Minister for Health, Leo Varadkar, ensure legislation and codes of practices be put in place to ease the restrictions on the availability of Epinephrine auto injectors (commonly known as EpiPens) and other Anaphylaxis medicines and make them available in public areas, and that the Council explore the possibility of having staff training in the administering of EpiPen applications."

I should be grateful for your comments at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

Tøm O'Neill,

Meetings Administrator,

Corporate Services Department.