**AGENDA**

**TAGRA Meeting - Monday 5th June**

**2.30pm – 4.30pm**

**Teams Meeting**

1. Options Paper for Formula Run for 2025/26 for decision (PHS) – (Paper TAGRA(2023)01)
2. Final Approval of Work Programme for information (SG) – (Paper TAGRA(2023)02)
3. PHS updates for information (verbal):
   1. Calculation of HSCP sharea
   2. Inventory of NRAC data
   3. Costing Review

**Core Criteria**

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| Equity | The primary consideration should be to achieve the greatest possible accuracy in capturing the cost implications of variations in need between population groups andacross the country, in order to develop a formula that delivers the greatest possible equity of access to health services. |
| Practicality | Use should be made of good-quality, routinely-collected data, in order to produce an administratively feasible formula that can be readily updated. |
| Transparency | The rationale informing the formula’s methodology should be explicable and any judgements should be made explicit, although this should not lead to over-simplification of details which might add precision to the methods. |
| Objectivity | The formula should as far as possible be evidence-based, using as necessary the full range of available robust data. |
| Avoiding perverse incentives | The formula should guard against perverse incentives and any negative consequences which might threaten the integrity of the data. |
| Relevance | There is a need to avoid the dangers of extrapolation and to make explicit where hard information is being used about one aspect of a service to make some assumption about an area where information is less good or absent. |
| Stability | There should be a reasonable degree of year-to-year stability in the data sources feeding in to the formula. |
| Responsiveness | The formula should result in shifts in the allocation of resources in response to changes in the need for healthcare services. |
| Face validity | The outcome of any changes to the formula should be subjected to a 'common-sense' check. |