

Update on Pharmac's work

Date: 7 December 2022

To: Hon Peeni Henare (Associate Minister of Health)

Copies to: Minister of Health
Director General of Health
Pharmac Board
Principal Advisor, Crown Entity Monitoring and Appointments,
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Recommendations

It is recommended you:

note the contents of this report.

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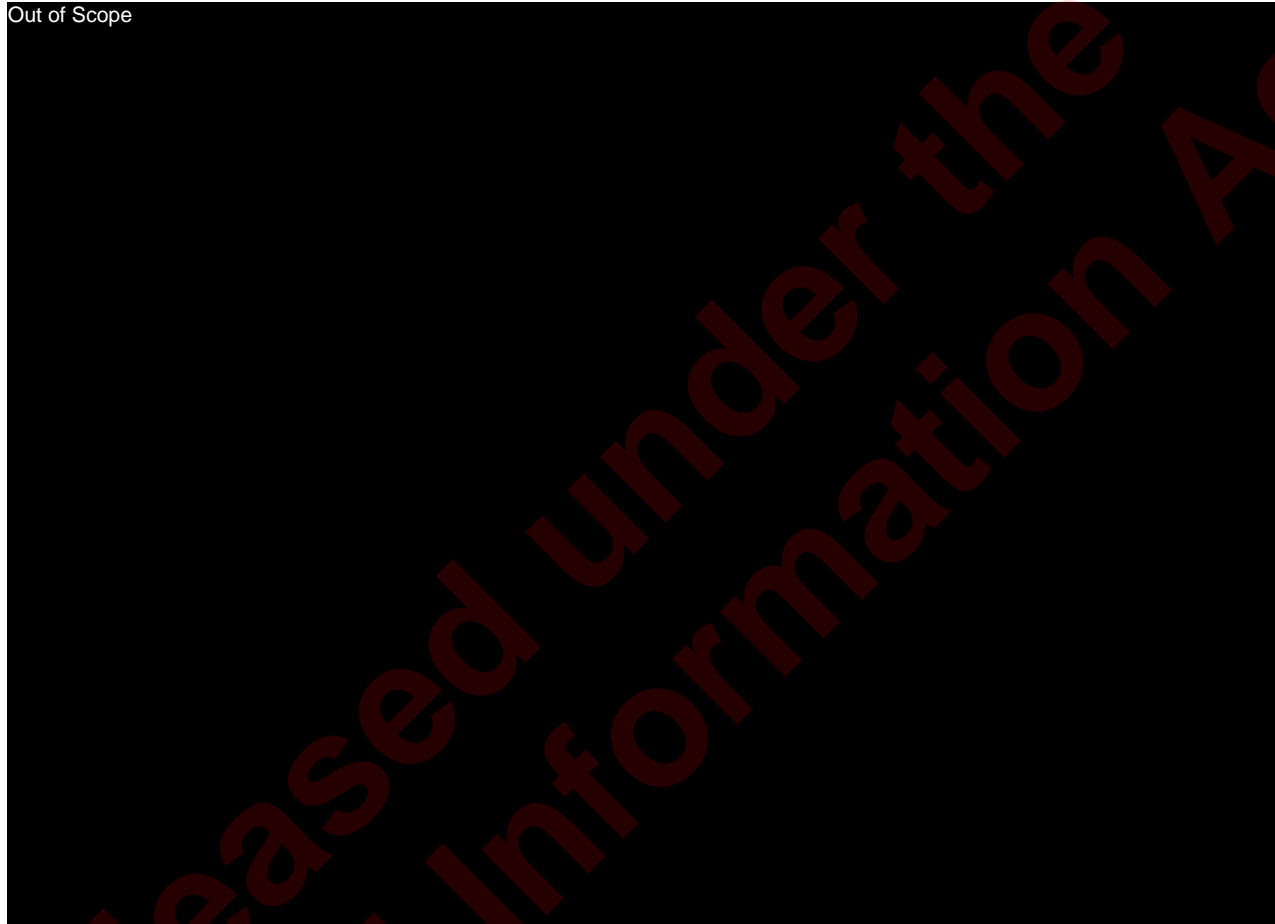
Sarah Fitt, Chief Executive

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Purpose

You are meeting with Sarah Fitt, Chief Executive and Trevor Simpson, Kaituruki Māori, Director Māori of Te Pātaka Whaioranga Pharmac on 7 December 2022 for your quarterly meeting with Te Pātaka Whaioranga Pharmac. As requested, this briefing introduces some topics ahead of the korero.

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Funding for Continuous Glucose Monitors

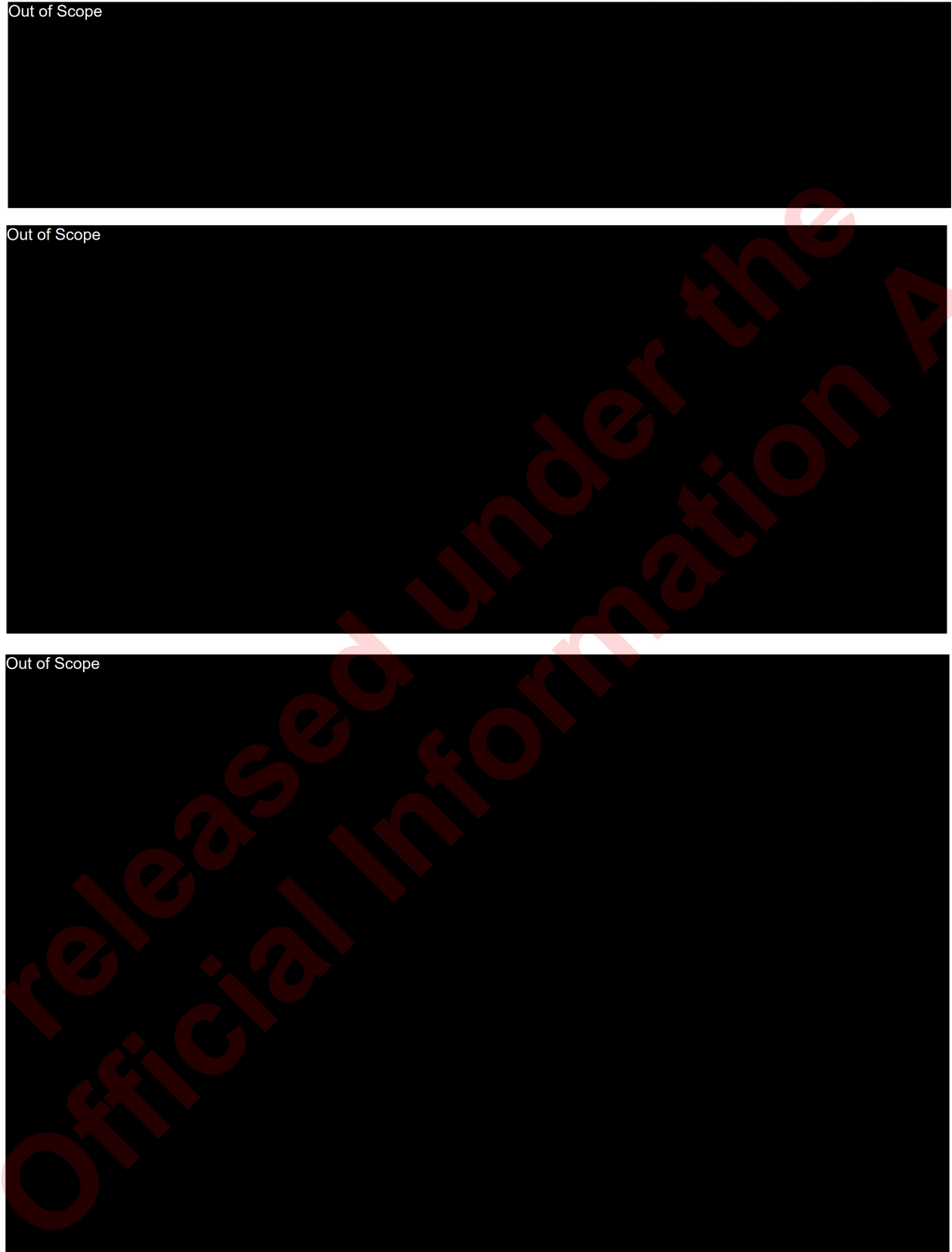
November is Diabetes Awareness Month and Pharmac continues to receive several requests for funding Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGMs).

There are two CGMs on our Options for Investment (OFI) list, which means we would like to fund them when we have the budget available. These are the Freestyle Libre Flash and Dexcom G6 CGMs. We are also currently assessing an application for the combined Medtronic Guardian 4 CGM and MiniMed780 Pump.

Pharmac is reviewing its assessment of diabetes technologies to ensure it is considering emerging evidence and applying this consistently across all currently open funding applications.

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Concluding comments

With our strategies, commitment to giving effect to Te Tiriti, health reforms and the Pharmac review, this is a very exciting time for Te Pātaka Whaioranga Pharmac. We look forward to exploring topics of interest to you in our hui.



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