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INESSS Recommendation Regarding Financing of the Optune® Device

Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada has learned that INESSS issued a recommendation for the Quebec Provincial Government regarding the funding of the Tumour Treating Fields (TTF) device Optune®. The recommendation, at this time, is to NOT provide public coverage for the device.

While Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is disappointed in the decision, we are hopeful that INESSS will revisit this decision as more data comes forward on the real-world impact of this health technology.

We would like to thank all those who shared their input for Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada's submission to INESSS. It is our intention to resubmit this information to INESSS with a request to fully consider the patient and caregiver input provided in any future consideration of this TTF technology. The patient and caregiver voice is critical in these decisions and we want to ensure those voices are heard.

We have completed the patient/caregiver submission to CADTH for their review of the Optune® device. We will continue to follow their deliberations and provide an update to our community with any developments.

