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Deputy Martin Heydon, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Dublin 2.

PQ51064 "To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of increasing the general practitioner training intake to 200, 210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290 and to 300 in a full calendar year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Martin Heydon"

Dear Deputy Heydon,

I refer to the above PQ received in our office for response. The 2020 National Service Plans sets out that for 2020, 217 GP Training places are planned this is an increase of 15 from the 202 planned for 2019. The estimated full year cost of increasing General Practitioner training places from 217 places to the figures you requested are out lined in the table below in an incremental format:

Incremental Increase in GP Training Places	
Increase from 217 to:	Cumulative Cost of Additional Training Places
220	€0.3m
230	€1.2m
240	€2.2m
250	€3.2m
260	€4.1m
270	€5.1m
280	€6.1m
290	€7.0m
300	€8.0m

I trust this answers your query but should you have any further queries in this regard please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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