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Eamon Scanlon, TD Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Re: PQ ref 53455/19 To ask the Minister for Health the reason there has been no dental services available in Tubbercurry, County Sligo for 12 months; and when a dentist will be appointed

Dear Deputy Scanlon,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Chief Officer, CHO 1 for response.

In autumn 2018 one of our dentists went off with a serious illness, they returned to work in September 2019 but sadly passed away suddenly a short time later.

An application has been made for a replacement of this vacant position and is currently being processed by National Recruitment. At present all emergency treatment is being provided through clinics in Ballymote and Sligo and school visits continue to be provided.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Dermot Monaghan,

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