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Dáil Éireann  
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**PQ 37449/19**

**To ask the Minister for Health if funding for a further podiatrist in County Wexford will be made available to support persons with diabetes; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that there is only one senior podiatrist based in St. John's Hospital that is servicing the whole of the county; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Howlin,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

*I have examined the matter and the following response outlines the position.*

I wish to confirm that there is currently one Senior Podiatry Post in Wexford employed through Diabetes Ireland.

It is the intention of Primary Care South East Community Healthcare to secure Podiatry Services for Wexford area as a matter of priority.

Should you have any further queries in relation to same, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anna-Marie Lanigan'.

**Ms. Anna Marie Lanigan**  
**Head of Service-Primary Care**  
**South East Community Healthcare**