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To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the ongoing delays in relation to the approval of applications submitted to the health centre in Ballinasloe, County Galway under the HSE community ophthalmic services scheme for medical card patients in County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murphy,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

There is currently a delay in the processing of the Adult Optical forms under the Community Ophthalmic Services Scheme in the local health office, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway due to the retirement of a member of staff in April. A new member of staff took up this position on the 3rd of September.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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