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Mr. Michael Fitzmaurice T.D., 5 Castle View Terrace, Castle Street, Roscommon Town, Co. Roscommon

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To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 363 of 18 June 2019 and 117 of 25 September 2019, when approval will be given to fill the position in the area medical office of the Primary Care Centre in Roscommon town to enable medical assessments for the Primary Medical Certificate to be carried out on patients that have applied for the Primary Medical Certificate and whose assessments have now been on hold for over ten months as a result of staffing levels; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Fitzmaurice,

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

The Senior Medical Officer has returned to their post following a period of leave therefore assessments will now gain momentum.

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

Yours sincerely,

Frank Murphy,

Head of Primary Care,

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