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24th of November 2020,

Deputy Matt Carthy, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: PQ ref 35975/20: To ask the Minister of Health his plans to address the General Practitioner shortage in the area of Carrickmacross, County Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Carthy,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Representation, which you submitted to the Chief Officer, CHO 1 for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines oour position.

It is the HSE's view that in comparison to other towns in the region Carrickmacross has an adequate number of GP's per head of population. In addition to the long standing Group practice, you may be aware that in recent years a new single handed practice opened in the town. We are not recruiting in Carrickmacross as no vacancy exists there currently.

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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