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Sean Sherlock T.D.,
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“To ask the Minister for Health if Covid-19 testing centres in north County Cork will be reinstated.”

Dear Deputy Sherlock,


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 Minister for Health for response.

With the emergence of Covid 19 in Ireland in March 2020, Cork Kerry Community Healthcare set up a number of temporary Covid testing site centres as part of the immediate response to dealing with Covid 19 in our communities. As the need for testing continued it became obvious that more permanent locations were required to ensure that the provision of this service could continue in a safe manner through the winter months.

Cork Kerry Community Healthcare currently has 2 testing locations in Cork and 1 in Kerry. The Lee Covid testing site is a convenient location to service the North Cork population. The situation is monitored on an ongoing basis and on occasion temporary facilities are set up to ensure the CHO continues to be able to provide timely swabbing.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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