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Deputy David Cullinane,
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PQ Ref: 20116/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of Covid-19 vaccine doses delivered to and administered by general practitioners to date by county, local authority area and each clinic or general practitioner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

Deputy Cullinane

I refer to your recent parliamentary question which was passed to the HSE for response.

Since the commencement of the Covid-19 Pandemic in early 2020, the HSE through the Chief Clinical Officer has in place a forum for ongoing engagement for General Practice involving a senior group of Clinical and Management Staff from the HSE with senior colleagues from the IMO and the ICGP.

More recently, since early 2021 with the rollout of the Vaccination Programme a specific working group has been in place of HSE and GP representatives through which the Operating Guidance and a range of other Clinical and logistical matters have been dealt with in supporting General Practice. The working group reports in through the Chief Clinical Officer and the HSE Governance arrangements.

Our GP colleagues are specifically involved in the rollout of Cohort 3 (over 70s) Cohort 4 and 7 (Medically Vulnerable) although a significant number of those in Cohort 4 have been vaccinated through the acute settings. In respect to cohort 4, GPs are asked to focus on those with Diabetics with HbA1c>58mmol in last 12 months, Obesity – BMI >40, Chronic Resp. Disease – on home oxygen or hospitalized in past 12 months. In respect of those in cohort 7, GP's have been asked to identifying and administrating vaccine to the majority of this cohort. The overall approach commenced in February in GP practices for the over 70s (cohort 3), the end of April with the prioritisation of those in the very high risk cohort (cohort 4) and moving seamlessly onto those in the high risk cohort (cohort 7).

Our GP colleagues continue to work relentlessly to ensure they reach as many of their patients as possible in a timely fashion whilst ensuring they are administering the vaccine in as safe a fashion as possible.

The following link provides the national total for vaccines administered with a breakdown of the various cohorts that have received them: <https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/news/newsfeatures/covid19-updates/integrated-information-service-vaccination-programme-dashboard.html>

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Crowley'.

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