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20th December 2021

Ms Violet-Anne Wynne TD
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
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RE: PQ 59226/21, PQ 62476/21

*** To ask the Minister for Health the reasons for the relocation of the vaccination centre to Ennis Hospital; the reason this decision was made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Violet-Anne Wynne**

***To ask the Minister for Health the rationale behind the recent transfer of the Ennis vaccination centre to Ennis General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Violet-Anne Wynne**

Dear Deputy Wynne,

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.

The Clare Covid-19 vaccination centre relocated on a temporary basis from Treacy's West County Hotel to the grounds of Ennis Hospital. As society and the economy reopened, we had to secure a temporary new location for our Ennis centre with the agreement of our partners on a temporary basis. We are grateful to the West County Hotel for their support over the course of vaccination campaign.

I am pleased to let you know that the vaccination centre will resume operations in Treacy's West County Hotel from this Wednesday (21st December) for the foreseeable future. This is to maximise capacity in line with the expected demand as the vaccination booster programme ramps up over the coming weeks.

We continue to operate walk in booster vaccine clinics for people aged between 40 and 69 years and Dose 1&2 clinics at the three Mid-West COVID-19 Vaccination Centres.

For identification, anyone attending either Booster or Dose 1&2 clinics should bring their birth certificate, or a photo ID (i.e., driving licence, Public Services Card, travel pass, passport, Garda-issued National Age Card, or school or college ID). For queries, members of the public can contact the local HSE-approved helpline number on [087-9681240](tel:087-9681240) (9am-6pm, seven days a week). All walk-in clinic dates and times and related information will be published on the HSE website [here](#).

People should note that they may experience delays when attending walk-in clinics, and we would advise people to dress appropriately for the inclement weather we are experiencing currently.

Anyone with queries about COVID-19 vaccination may contact the national helpline on [1850-241850](tel:1850-241850).



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I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Colette Cowan'.

Colette Cowan
Chief Executive Officer
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