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To ask the Minister for Health the number of applications for a refund of phlebotomy charges incorrectly incurred by medical card patients in counties Carlow and Kilkenny; the number that were approved and refused, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murnane O'Connor,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following outlines the current position.

The HSE can confirm that since July 2020 the following number of applications for a refund of phlebotomy charges incorrectly incurred by medical card patients in Counties Carlow and Kilkenny are as follows:

| Area | No. of applications for a refund of phlebotomy charges incorrectly incurred by medical card patients | No. approved for refund |
|----------|--|-------------------------|
| Carlow | 7 | 7 |
| Kilkenny | 0 | 0 |

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,


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