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**RE: PQ8646/21 To ask the Minister for Health the details of the establishment and locations of facilities (vaccination centres between the Saolta University Healthcare Group and Community Healthcare West) in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Dillon,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question/Public Representation which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The HSE is currently in the process of developing vaccination centres across the country. Nine of these vaccination centres are across the HSE West area, one of which is located at Breaffy House in Castlebar, Co. Mayo. While we expect that all of these centres will be ready by the end of the first week of March, some are progressing ahead of others. For example, we are currently using the vaccination centre in Sligo IT for healthcare workers. We will use the coming weeks to identify and resolve any minor issues that may arise, before we begin using these centres for the general public

In addition to these nine centres we are conscious of the needs of people living in more remote locations including off shore islands, West County Galway, West Mayo and West and North Donegal and we will be flexible to make sure that everyone can get this vaccine as quickly as efficiently as possible.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ann Cosgrove', written over a horizontal line.

**Ann Cosgrove,  
Chief Operations Officer,  
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