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Deputy Pringle,  
Dáil Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

**Re: PQ 3279/21**

***To ask the Minister for Health when the COVID-19 vaccination of frontline staff in direct patient contact in Letterkenny University Hospital will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter.- Thomas Pringle***

Dear Deputy,

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 roll out of the vaccination programme is based on the Government's provisional vaccine allocation groups published on December 8.

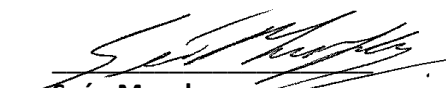
To date vaccine provision has been directed towards the top two tiers of the allocation groups:

- People aged 65 years and older who are residents of long-term care facilities (likely to include all staff and residents on site)
- Frontline healthcare workers

When we complete the vaccination of residential care facilities, vaccine supplies will be directed to frontline healthcare workers.

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

Yours Sincerely,



**Seán Murphy**  
**General Manager**  
**Letterkenny General Hospital**