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Re; PQ numbers 4974/21 and 4975/21

4974/21: "To ask the Minister for Health the details regarding the hepatitis C liaison officers that have rejected medical bills applied for through the HAA scheme" and **4975/21:** "to ask the Minister for Health the number of HAA cards which have been revoked or suspended, the reason for revocation and suspension; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Gannon,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Questions which have been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

Re 4974/21: The HAA card and the scheme covers public health services and if there are decisions which are relating to private health care requests these are considered on a case by case basis. There is a great degree of flexibility at the moment due to the Covid 19 situation.

The attached new 2020 guidelines book sets out entitlements. Should you wish to discuss any individual decision or case my office may be contacted directly.

4975/21: There have been no HAA cards suspended or revoked as this card, once issued, is for the lifetime of the cardholder and these are not reviewed in the same way as medical cards.

I trust this is of assistance and addresses your questions.

Kind regards

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