



10th March, 2021

Deputy Pádraig O'Sullivan
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Dublin 2

Re: PQ 13439/21

PQ 13439/21– “To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide further information on a case (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Details - Qualified nurse contacted. She is certified to vaccinate. She wants to establish a clinic in Midleton in East Cork to administer vaccines, not just for now but in the months ahead. How can she apply for this?.”

Dear Deputy O'Sullivan,

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

As part of the National roll out of the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme, 37 HSE vaccination clinics have been confirmed by the Health Service Executive at various locations across the country to administer COVID-19 vaccines. There is at least one vaccination clinic in every county to support the vaccination of the general population in a safe and efficient manner. Each vaccination clinic varies in size and been initially selected based on population density, ease of access, public transport, parking and on-site facilities available. Vaccinations will also be administered locally via GP surgeries and community pharmacies. At this stage, there is no requirement for individuals to establish their own vaccination centres to administer vaccines outside those pathways noted.

For any suitability qualified persons interested in offering their services as a Vaccinator, a National Campaign was launched on Thursday 18th February to source new Vaccinators for the national roll-out of the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme. This national campaign primarily focuses on the supply of services to vaccination clinics. The recruitment link is as follows:

<https://hbsrecruitmentservices.ie/vaccinators/>. This campaign is managed by Cpl Healthcare and all candidates appointed will be Cpl Healthcare employees and will receive Cpl Healthcare temporary contracts of employment. The National Campaign for the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme is making every effort not to put at risk existing health service provision. Our recruitment programme is aimed at targeting new resources and individuals for Vaccinator roles for a 3 or 6-month temporary contract to enable us to deliver our National Vaccination Programme rather than targeting existing healthcare workers.

Yours sincerely,

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