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Mr. Thomas Gould, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

PQ ref no 14108/21

"To ask the Minister for Health the planned reopening date for Southdoc Blackpool, County Cork."

Dear Deputy Healy Rae,

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

We have been in contact with the Directors of the Board of SouthDoc following their meeting of 30th March 2021.

SouthDoc have confirmed to us that the centre at Blackpool will accept scheduled appointments in the latter part of this month. This is subject to no deterioration in respect to Covid-19 activity.

SouthDoc have also informed us that they are engaging with relevant local GPs this week in relation to this matter. We expect that SouthDoc will provide us with an indicative date for the reopening of Blackpool treatment centre following this engagement and we will revert to you with an update early next week in this regard.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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