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Deputy Martin Browne Dail Eireann Leinster House Kildare St., Dublin 2.

Re:. PQ 14122/21 Number of dentists participating in the Dental Treatment Services Scheme.

Dear Deputy Browne,

I refer to your Parliamentary Question in relation to the above: "To ask the Minister for Health the number of dentists in Co. Tipperary participating in the dental medical card scheme; and his plans to address the number of dentists leaving the scheme which has left medical card patients in many areas with no access to dental treatment" and, I wish to advise you of the following:

There are 15 dentists participating in the Dental Treatment Services Scheme in the North Tipperary area. I understand that the H.S.E. is engaged with officials in the Department of Health in relation to operational difficulties experienced by some patients in relation to accessing the Dental Treatment Services Scheme.

I trust this information addresses the issues raised in your representation.

Yours sincerely,

Aisling Finucane,

**General Manger Primary Care Services**