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PQ 14855/21

“To ask the Minister for Health if information is available on the types of non-Covid-19 conditions that have been treated at community assessment hubs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Colm Burke”

Dear Deputy Burke,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 14855/21), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Community Assessment Hubs (CAHs) provide timely community based acute clinical assessment for COVID-19 patients (presumptive and confirmed). The rationale for the establishment of CAHs was to free up general practice to give much needed non-covid care in a safer environment and to minimise any inappropriate use of Acute Hospital capacity (attendance and admission avoidance) and the risk of community transmission of COVID-19. Patients with non COVID-19 conditions have not been referred to CAHs and these patients have been seen by General Practitioners or referred to other services as appropriate.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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