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PQ 17599-21 To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the recent administration of vaccinations by a hospital (details supplied) which disregarded prioritisation and sequencing guidelines; if there will be an investigation into the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -

Dear Deputy

Thank you for your representation. A sequencing approach has been very clearly defined by the Chief Clinical Officer since the 12th January based on the provisional allocation of the vaccine strategy by the National Immunisation Advisory Committee. As the guidance from NIAC has been revised and each cohort is commenced guidance in relation to sequencing has issued as required.

The HSE is rolling out the vaccine programme in line with the vaccine allocation plan and aims to administer vaccines to Cohort 4 to 7 in parallel. Vaccination sites are doing their utmost to ensure that the sequencing guidance is adhered to and the vaccine is administered in a safe and timely manner. In addition, sites are asked to ensure that there is no vaccine wastage. If the HSE is alerted to sequencing breaches, this information is acted upon. This is under review

I hope this provides you with assistance,

Yours faithfully

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