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Deputy Danny Healy Rae Dáil Éireann, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Re: PQ 23890/21 To ask the Minister for Health the number of the recorded Covid-19 deaths that already had an underlying health condition; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Healy Rae

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

HPSC commenced publication of a weekly report of COVID-19 deaths reported in Ireland on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The report is available on the HPSC website at: <a href="https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/surveillance/weeklyreportoncovid-19deathsreportedinireland/">https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/surveillance/weeklyreportoncovid-19deathsreportedinireland/</a>

The report contains summary characteristics of COVID-19 deaths notified in Ireland which includes data on the number and percentage of COVID-19 deaths in those with underlying conditions.

If you require any further information or clarification please do contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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