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Deputy Pearse Doherty,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2

Re: PQ Ref 25000 To ask the Minister for Health when the vacant Ophthalmic position will be filled to allow for the resumption of the diabetic ophthalmic clinic in Letterkenny, County Donegal.

Dear Deputy Doherty,

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.

I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

A Community Ophthalmic Physician position in the Community Ophthalmic service in Donegal became temporarily vacant in November 2020 for a 1 year timeframe. This vacancy was filled by a replacement Community Ophthalmic Physician in January 2021, following which the Ophthalmic services resumed for patients in Donegal with a diagnosis of Diabetes.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dermot'.

Dermot Monaghan,
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