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Deputy Pa Daly, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

PQ 52844/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of tissue viability nurses available to medical card holders by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

- Pa Daly

Dear Deputy Daly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 52844/21) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Public Health Nurses (PHN) and Community Registered General Nurses (RGN) each provide nurse led tissue viability services to medical card holder on their caseloads. Most areas also provide nurse led leg ulcer clinics. PHN's and RGN's receive regular education and training in wound care.

Please note the requested information is not available by county in tabular form. However, it is available by CHO area from pages 10 – 18 in the report which is accessible on the HSE website through the following link (https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/health-service-employment-report-september-2021.pdf). I have also attached this report.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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