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## **BY EMAIL ONLY**

**Deputy Holly Cairns Dáil Éireann** Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 53356/21- Deputy Holly Cairns: To ask the Minister for Health the guidance that has been offered to general practitioners concerning the in-person consultation for infants and young children who may be exhibiting some symptoms of Covid-19

Dear Deputy Cairns,

Thank you for your representation. There are a number of guidance documents on the HPSC website to assist general practitioners. These guidance documents include information on infection control and prevention, telephone pre assessment, environmental measures and personal protective equipment. I have included links to some of the specific guidance that may be of assistance.

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I hope this provides you with assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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