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Deputy Michael Collins
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Re: PQ 56896/21 To ask the Minister for Health the reason the number of Covid-19 deaths per day in Ireland is no longer being publicised by the Health Protection Surveillance Centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Toibin

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 currently publishes a weekly report on COVID-19 deaths in Ireland available on the HPSC website here:

<https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/surveillance/weeklyreporton-covid-19deathsreportedinireland/>

HPSC is constantly reviewing its epidemiological outputs and timing and frequency of reporting has varied during the pandemic to date. Frequency of death reporting by the HSE has been agreed in conjunction with the Department of Health.

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

Yours sincerely,

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