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Mr James O'Connor T.D.,
Dáil Éireann
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

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“To ask the Minister for Health if a physiotherapist will be reinstated in Youghal Community Hospital, County Cork.”

Dear Deputy O'Connor,

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.

The Primary Care Community Healthcare Physiotherapist who operates out of clinic space at Youghal Community Hospital is currently availing of statutory leave entitlements and will be returning to her post. Clients in the Youghal Community Catchment area continue to have access to physiotherapy services. Cross cover arrangements are in place with staff in Middleton and Carrigtwohill for priority cases in the Youghal area which include service to persons at risk of falls; admission to acute hospital setting or to assist with those being discharged from the acute hospital setting.

Physiotherapy referrals for specific patients in Youghal Community Hospital can be sent to the Physiotherapy service in Carrigtwohill Primary Care Centre.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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