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**PQ49020/21: To ask the Minister for Health if the decision to run a HPV vaccination clinic in a school is a Government policy or individual school policy.**

Dear Deputy Crowe,

The above PQ has been forwarded to my Department for direct response to you on same.

The Department of Health Immunisation Policy recommends vaccines for school children are administered in a school setting.

The HSE School Immunisation Teams work with schools across the country every school year and where possible vaccines are given on school premises to students in Junior Infants of primary school (4 in 1 and MMR vaccines) and First Year of second level schools (HPV, Tdap and MenACWY vaccines).

However, where this is not possible due to challenges presented as a result of COVID-19 the HSE works with the school to find a solution to continue the school immunisation programme.

I trust this clarification will be of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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