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PQ18067/22-Deputy David Cullinane- To ask the Minister for Health the types of contracts offered and taken up to consultants in public health medicine in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

Thank you for your representation.

The Minister for Health has confirmed the Government Policy regarding the introduction of the new Sláintecare Consultant Contract outlined in the Programme for Government. The Sláintecare Consultant Contract will provide for Public only work in public hospitals.

The new Sláintecare Consultant Contract 2021 will be applicable to all new and replacement Consultant Contracts issued once their final agreement and a planned implementation date.

Prior to the introduction of the new Sláintecare contract all candidates appointed as Consultants in Public Health Medicine will be appointed to a Consultant contract Type A (Public only, with no provision for private practice, on or offsite), as amended at section 10A to include specific provisions relating to Consultant in Public Health Medicine posts.

To date, five Consultant in Public Health Medicine posts have been formally contracted, as Area Directors of Public Health.

I hope this provides you with assistance.

Yours sincerely

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