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Mr. Brendan Griffin., T.D.,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Dublin 2

**PQ ref 9634/22**

**"To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position regarding the provision of a general practitioner service for Ballyduff, County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter."**

Dear Deputy Griffin,

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.

Since 1st September, 2021, the HSE has run an Interim General Practice service in Ballyduff, with a locum GP, Nursing and Administration staffing, whilst endeavouring to recruit a permanent GP for the area.

A 4th recruitment campaign for a permanent GP in Ballyduff practice is underway with the post having been advertised, locally, nationally and internationally as in previous campaigns.

The second recruitment campaign yielded a successful candidate however, this candidate declined the post at the offer stage.

The closing date for applications for the 4<sup>th</sup> campaign was at Midday on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022. The applications received were shortlisted on Friday afternoon 11<sup>th</sup> February, and all eligible candidates were contacted on the same day to invite them to interview on 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

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

Yours sincerely,

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