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Leinster House,
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PQ: 4062/22

To ask the Minister for Health the current waiting time for applications for a medical card; the number of persons awaiting a decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Patricia Ryan

Dear Deputy Ryan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 4062/22), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

All key performance indicators and timelines around processing applications are currently being met, I can confirm there are no delays in processing Medical Card applications. Fully completed new applications are processed within a 15 *working* day turnaround. It should be noted that those who are subject to an eligibility review continue to hold eligibility until the application assessment is finalised.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Suzanne Doyle'.

Suzanne Doyle
Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service