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**Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh  
Dáil Eireann  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2**

**PQ 62938/21: To ask the Minister for Health the number of dentists in the dental treatment services scheme by LHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Conway-Walsh,

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

Adult medical card holders have access to dental services under the Dental Treatment Services Scheme (DTSS) through care provided by private dentists that hold DTSS contracts with the HSE.

The number of dentists participating in the DTSS at end December 2021 by HSE Local Health Office (LHO) region is detailed in tabular form in the attached spreadsheet. This number includes 13 dentists that have given notice of resigning from the scheme and are in the three months' notice period.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joe Green', positioned above a horizontal line.

**Joseph Green  
AND, National Oral Health Lead - Operations**