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PQ ref 31870/22: To ask the Minister for Health the number of doctors on duty to cover the out-of-hours general practitioner service NowDoc in every part of Donegal, per week, for each of the years, 2016 to 2022 inclusive in tabular form; and if he is satisfied that this is adequate and safe coverage.

Dear Deputy Mac Lochlainn,

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position

The Donegal NoWDOC Co-Operative is an appointment-based Urgent GP Out of Hours service that provides GP cover which is delivered out-of-hours (OOH) from four centres based in Letterkenny, Inishowen, Mountcharles and Derrybeg. The GP aspect of the NoWDOC Donegal service is managed by Caredoc which provides rostering of doctors, recruitment of GPs for the Red Eye Shift and ICT connectivity.

Based on activity levels and review of complaints received from 2019-present there is no evidence to indicate that the current service provision does not provide adequate and safe coverage.

2016 - 2022	Doctors on Duty - NoWDOC Donegal			
	Mon-Fri	Saturday	Sunday	Bank Holidays
Derrybeg	2	2	2	2
Inishowen	2	2	2	2
Letterkenny	3	4	4	4
Mountcharles	2	3	3	3

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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