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Re: PQ ref 33810/22

Dear Deputy Devlin,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above representation, which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The HSE has developed an Interim Model of Care for Long Covid (September 2021), the aim of which is to provide a national approach to the provision of services and supports for patients experiencing prolonged symptoms of Covid-19. It sets out a framework for the provision of these services and supports spanning General Practice, Community Services, Acute hospitals and Mental Health Services.

In relation to Long Covid, the HSE advises that Long Covid Clinics are a specialist service for patients with signs and symptoms that develop during or after an infection consistent with COVID-19, continue for more than twelve weeks and are not explained by an alternative diagnosis. Long Covid clinics will be led by infectious disease consultants.

The following hospital sites have been nominated as Long Covid clinics:

- St. James University Hospital
- Cork University hospital
- University Hospital Galway
- University Hospital Limerick
- Beaumont University Hospital
- St. Vincent's University Hospital