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Ms. Neasa Hourigan,

Dáil Éireann,

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"To ask the Minister for Health the person or persons in the HSE that authorised the offering of priority first dose Covid-19 vaccinations to CHO4 mental health service management staff ahead of patients and nursing staff of St. Stephen's Hospital, Glanmire and the Owenacurra Centre, Midleton, County Cork in January 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Deputy Neasa Hourigan,

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.

All vaccinations are administered in accordance with the guidance on cohorting and prioritisation which is in place at the time of vaccination.

At the time referred to, January 2021, the guidance in place was the Government document "Provisional Vaccine Allocation Groups" published on the 8th of December 2020 along with the clinical guidance current at that time from the National Immunisation Committee.

I trust that this information will be of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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