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Deputy Duncan Smith T.D.,
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Re: PQ 15650/22 – Dispensation of contraceptives

“To ask the Minister for Health the policy of the St. Vincent's University Hospital pharmacy with regard to the dispensation of contraceptives (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Duncan Smith

*** including, but not limited to, oral contraceptives the pill”, intrauterine systems (IUS), the patch, the vaginal ring, implants and injectables, for contraceptive purposes (i.e. for the purpose of intentionally preventing a pregnancy)”**

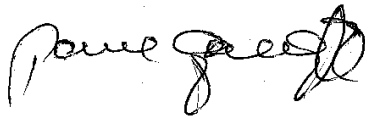
Dear Deputy Smith,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on the policy of the St. Vincent's University Hospital pharmacy with regard to the dispensation of contraceptives, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised that the St. Vincent's University Hospital Pharmacy dispenses items that are contraceptives (e.g. oral contraceptive pill, intrauterine systems (IUS), contraceptive patch, the vaginal ring, implants and injectables) on receipt of a valid prescription.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



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