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Deputy Thomas Pringle, TD Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

RE: PQ 22857/22

To ask the Minister for Health the treatment options that are available here for post-Lyme disease syndrome; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Pringle,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in relation to the above parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have consulted with the National Clinical Programme for Infectious Diseases (NCPID) on your question and have been informed that the following outlines the position.

Patients with post-Lyme syndrome can be referred by their GP to a public hospital Infectious Diseases clinic in Ireland, with the clinic to which they are referred determined by their place of residence. Treatment is in line with national and international best practice guidelines, as outlined in the IDSA (Infectious Diseases Society of America) guidelines that have been endorsed by the IDSI (Infectious Diseases Society of Ireland).

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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