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**Deputy John Brady,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.**

**PQ 48419/22 – To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide podiatry services in County Wicklow;
and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

- John Brady

Dear Deputy Brady,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 48419/22) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

There is currently 1 WTE Senior Podiatrist providing podiatry services in Community Healthcare Network 8 (CHN8) South Wicklow. There is 1 WTE post allocated to provide podiatry services in Community Healthcare Network 7 (CHN 7) North Wicklow, however, this post remains unfilled following repeated recruitment efforts to date.

There is currently a Podiatry service in CHO7 West Wicklow that operates a clinic from Kildare Primary Care Centre and the Russell Building Tallaght. Podiatry Service providers in both clinics have access to podiatry and vascular services in Tallaght University Hospital. There is recruitment ongoing to fill vacant posts in the Chronic Disease Hubs across CHO7.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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