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Deputy Violet-Anne Wynne
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Leinster House
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Re.: PQ 49663/22 - "To ask the Minister for Health the services that are currently being provided in each Primary Care Centre in Co. Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Wynne,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

I can advise that there are currently two Primary Care Centres in Co. Clare, one in Kilrush and the new Primary Care Centre in Ennis is scheduled to open before year end.

The following services are provided at the Primary Care Centre in Kilrush :

Public Health Nursing Clinics (for Child Health, Wound Management and Leg Ulcer Treatment), Podiatry, Speech & Language, Dental, Orthodontics, Audiology, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Civil Registration Service, Environmental Health and visiting services. TUSLA is also located in the centre.

The following services will be available at the Primary Care Centre in Ennis, Co. Clare when it becomes fully operational:

Public Health Nursing Clinics (for Child Health, Wound Management and Leg Ulcer Treatments), Podiatry, Speech & Language, Psychology, Dietetics, Dental, Orthodontics, Audiology, Ophthalmology, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Lymphoedema, Chronic Disease Management, Integrated Care Programme for Older Persons (ICPOP), Community Diagnostics and TUSLA.

There are also a number of Health Centres located throughout the county where Primary Care Services are provided based on the needs of the population. I am listing these Health Centres below. Some of these Health Centres are operational on a full time basis (i.e. provision of services is similar to those provided at Shannon Health Centre as outlined hereunder) and others provide satellite clinics in the area.

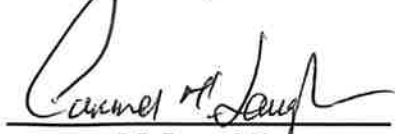
Ballyvaughan Health Centre, Ennis Health Centre (at Bindon St.), Ennistymon Health Centre, Kildysart Health Centre, Kilkee Health Centre, Kilmaley Health Centre, Kilmihil Health Centre, Lisdoonvarna Health Centre, Miltown Malbay Health Centre, Scarriff Health Centre, Shannon Health Centre, Sixmilebridge Health Centre and Tulla Health Centre.

For example, the following services are provided at Shannon Health Centre:

Public Health Nursing Clinics, Dental, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech & Language Therapy, Podiatry, Community Medical Service, Diabetic Retina Screening, Social Work, Counselling, Environmental Health, Health & Wellbeing and Clare Mental Health Services. TUSLA and ShannonDoc also operate from the Health Centre.

I trust this information addresses the issues raised in your representation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carmel McLaughlin', written over a horizontal line.

Carmel McLaughlin
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