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Deputy Chris Andrews,  
Dáil Eireann,  
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*“To ask the Minister for Health the State services that have been removed from the Irishtown and Ringsend primary care centre over the past 24 months; the location of each of these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”*

Deputy Chris Andrews

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Dear Deputy Andrews,

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 a response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Health Service Executive can confirm that no services were removed from the Irishtown Primary Care Centre over the past 24 months. The Irishtown Primary Care Centre offers Nursing, Dietetics, Physiotherapy, and Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy and Social Work services. Some of the services were disrupted during the COVID -19 pandemic. Dental Services in Irishtown was closed in March 2020 due to COVID and have not been reopened due to staffing shortages. This Service is now provided from the Meath Community Campus in Dublin 8. Recruitment is ongoing with the hope of filling existing vacancies.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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