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Dep uty Michael McNamara Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare St., Dublin 2

Re: PQ 4535/23 - "To ask the Minister for Health the services that are presently being provided at the Ennis Primary Healthcare Centre at Station Road, Ennis, Co. Clare; the additional staffing requirments that are required to facilitate full operations; when the centre will be fully operational; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy McNamara,

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.

The following HSE Primary Care services are currently operating from the Primary Care Centre at Station Road, Ennis, Co. Clare:

Public Health Nursing (Leg Ulcer Clinics, Wound Management & Child Health); Speech & Language Therapy; Occupational Therapy (Children & Adults); Physiotherapy (Children & Adults); Psychology (Children); Podiatry; Breast Feeding Support; Chronic Disease Management Hub.

TUSLA are also located in the building.

The HSE Primary Care services listed hereunder are due to move into the Primary Care Centre in the next few weeks:

Dental; Ophthalmic; Audiology.

All of the services mentioned above have moved from other HSE sites within the Ennis catchment area. The staff attached to the above-named services have moved/will be moving with them. In relation to the Chronic Disease Management Hub, I note that a response issued to you on 1st February 2023 (PQ 4107/23) in relation to this service specifically and the issues being experienced in recruiting staff to same.

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

Yours sincerely,

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