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PQ33604/23- Deputy Paul Murphy- To ask the Minister for Health whether long-Covid clinics are prescribing medications; and if so, what medications they have been recommended to prescribe by the HSE.

Dear Deputy Murphy,

Thank you for your representation.

While there is not, as yet, any proven pharmacological intervention for Long Covid per se, individual symptoms such as shortness of breath, fast heart rate etc may require specific treatment with medication by their primary clinicians. This is a matter of clinical judgement for the clinicians and is in line with the HIQA review of Long Covid Models of Care and Clinical Guidelines, published in Dec 2022.

https://www.hiqa.ie/sites/default/files/2022-12/Long-COVID-guidelines.pdf

I hope this provides you with some assistance.

Yours sincerely

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