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Deputy David Cullinane,

Dáil Eireann,

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PQ 35037/23 - To ask the Minister for Health to outline the nature of State funding by way of subsidy to GPs; the total cost of such subsidies for the years 2018 to 2022, broken down by year; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

I refer to the above PQ received in our office for response. Please find below, details of funding provided to GPs for the years 2018 to 2021 inclusive.

You will note from below that the funding consists of

- Fees includes Monthly Capitation, Special Items of Service (STC's), Out of Hours Fees, Vaccinations and various fees applicable under the Chronic Disease Management (CDM) Programme
- Practice Support Subsidies in respect of employment of Practice Staff, Allowances -Contribution towards the cost of locum expenses for periods of leave (annual, sick and maternity leave), Partial Refund of Medical Indemnity Costs, Rural Practice Allowance/Rural **Practice Support Framework**
- Grants Social/Urban Deprivation, Winter Support Grant and CDM Nursing Support Grant

Please note that funding in respect of 2022 is not yet available for reporting.

Yours sincerely,

Geraldine Crowley,

Assistant National Director, Enhanced Community Care Programme &

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GMS: Payments to General Practitioners

		2018	2019	2020	2021
		€	€	€	€
FEES	- Capitation	277,190,633	302,385,364	340,270,765	375,379,517
	- Special Claims/Services	42,880,713	41,607,157	184,000,412	214,179,313
	- Out-of-Hours	36,870,234	35,909,494	11,377,700	4,638,060
	- Dispensing	855,561	679,653	648,756	636,386
	- Item of Service Contract	447,013	485,929	339,305	426,805
	- Asylum Seekers	413,209	547,124	402,092	296,315
	- Vaccinations	8,812,459	8,893,345	26,717,957**	37,360,121**
	- Asthma Registration	250,700	266,300	160,950	68,500
	- Asthma Capitation	918,446	803,891	671,659	402,049
	- Contribution for GP Height Measure and Self Zeroing Scale	2,676	4,602	1,614	402
	- Diabetes Capitation	8,970,202	9,826,192	9,844,232	6,769,899
	- Diabetes Registration	362,730	437,250	216,060	89,700
ALLOWANCES	- Secretarial/Nursing	89,418,026	91,687,863	93,113,296	91,992,936
	- Annual Leave	10,377,553	10,738,548	9,657,362	9,435,736
	- Rostering/Out-of-Hours	6,237,205	6,192,291	6,313,820	6,388,872
	- Medical Indemnity Insurance	6,685,376	7,552,800	6,973,064	6,952,130
	- Rural Practice	4,666,268	4,629,155	5,886,732	4,984,326
	- Study Leave	2,099,921	2,222,023	2,711,765	2,008,239
	- Sick Leave	1,312,582	1,596,985	2,777,221	1,708,545
	- Maternity Leave/Paternity Leave	2,007,492	2,120,697	4,074,775	3,989,752
	- Locum and Practice Expenses	4,113	4,113	4,113	4,113
	Social Deprivation Grant			2,905,000	79,500
	CDM Nursing Support Grant			2,218,188	3,425,131
	Winter Plan Support			8,846,500	4,500
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TOTAL		€500,783,112	€528,590,776	€720,133,338	€771,220,847

^{**} Includes Payments associated with Covid 19 Response and Vaccination Fees

Data Source: HSE Primary Care Reimbursement Services (PCRS)