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Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail Lár Tire,  
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Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte,  
Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin,  
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Ms. Sorcha Clarke T.D.  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question - 21301/23**

**To ask the Minister for Health if his Department plans to provide the HSE civil registration service at the primary care centre, Athlone, County Westmeath as it had been.**

Dear Deputy Clarke,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you recently submitted. I have examined the matter and I outline the position as follows.

The Civil Registration Service in the Midlands is delivered at the following locations, with one site per county:

- The Lodge, Arden Road, Tullamore, Co Offaly.
- The Health Centre, Dublin Road, Portlaoise, Co Laois.
- The Health Centre, Dublin Road, Longford.
- Mullingar Primary Care Centre, Harbour Road, Mullingar, Co Westmeath.

The registration of all life events is by appointment only. Certificates can be purchased online or by phone for all life events registered anywhere in the republic of Ireland.

The temporary additional service for Westmeath, delivered in Athlone, closed to the public in April 2020 during the pandemic as did all offices throughout the country at that time. The Athlone service did not reopen after covid restrictions were lifted and there are no plans to reopen this service. The Westmeath service is now delivered in Mullingar only.

There is a draft Bill before government that provides for the registration of all life events electronically and if passed this would remove the need to attend any office in person.



I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Broadbank'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B'.

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