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**Deputy Jennifer Whitmore  
Dáil Eireann  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2**

**PQ 39333/23: To ask the Minister for Health the number of GMS registered dentists on a county basis for the years 2015-2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Whitmore,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

Dental Treatment is made available to medical card holders over the age of 16 through the Dental Treatment Services Scheme (DTSS). Dentists who hold a contract with the Scheme provide a range of treatments which are funded by the HSE. Patients may attend any of the contracted dentists – the list is available at local HSE Dental clinics and online at HSE Primary Care Reimbursement Service (PCRS) Online Services.

The number of dentists participating in the DTSS for each of the year 2015 – 2022 and to date in August 2023 is not available by County as requested but is available by Local Health Office (LHO) and is detailed in the attached SpreadSheet. (Note: contractors who have resigned but are still serving their 3 months notice period are included in the list as they are required to participate in the scheme for this period)

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

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