



Mairéad Farrell, T.D.  
Dáil Éireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

28<sup>th</sup> September 2023

PQ: 41719/23

**To ask the Minister for Health the number of dentists in each county who are currently part of the DTSS, in tabular form; if he will provide an update on the work he and his Department are doing to ensure access to dental care for medical card holders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Mairéad Farrell**

Dear Deputy Farrell,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 41719/23), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The number of DTSS contractors at end of August 2023 are detailed in the attached excel spreadsheet and is available by Local Health Office (LHO) and not by county as requested.

Each Local Health Centre maintains a list of dentists who treat Medical Card holders. This list is continually changing. If a service user has any questions regarding the list of dentists in their local area, they are advised to contact their Local Health Office.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Suzanne Doyle'.

Suzanne Doyle  
Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service