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Dear Deputy Ó Cuív

RE: PQ11175/24 To ask the Minister for Health if it is intended to address the fact that there was no increase in salaries and pensions for former district medical officers for many years, and that inflation has seriously impacted their pensions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Éamon Ó Cuív

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, submitted by you to the Minister for Health. This matter has been referred to me for response on behalf of the HSE.

I can confirm that former district Medical Officers have been part of the unwinding of the FEMPI measures and that the majority of these grades have received an increase effective from the following dates:

01/10/2020
01/10/2021
02/02/2022
01/10/2022
01/03/2023
01/10/2023

In addition some of these grades will be encompassed by Department of Health Circular 1 / 2024 - Application of 1 February 2022 pay adjustments. This circular was released on the 07th March 2024.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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