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Deputy Joe Cooney Lower Market St. Ennis Co. Clare

Re: PQ 15617/25 - "To ask the Minister for Health the services presently being provided at the Kilrush Primary Healthcare Centre in Co. Clare; and the additional staffing and services planned for the facility".

Dear Deputy Cooney,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The following Primary Care Services are currently being provided from the Primary Care Centre at Kilrush in Co. Clare:

Public Health Nursing (Child Health Clinics, Wound Management Clinics etc.); Dental Service; Physiotherapy Service; Occupational Therapy Adult Service; Speech & Language Therapy Service; Podiatry Service; Audiology Service.

The following Primary Care Services are also available on a sessional basis from Kilrush Primary Care Centre:

Occupational Therapy (Paediatric) Service; Psychology Service; Counselling Service; Diabetic Retinopathy Service.

- Budival Clinic: Budival Programme implemented by the HSE Mid West Drug & Alcohol Service. Clinics are arranged at the Primary Care Centre to support clients in the region with complex issues where methadone or subsolve are not an option. Clinics are arranged relative to client need and how they are progressing in terms of symptomatology/withdrawal.
- TUSLA is also located at Kilrush Primary Care Centre.

In relation to your query regarding additional staffing and services planned for the facility, I can advise the HSE currently has no plans to provide additional services at the Kilrush Primary Care Centre. The staff currently based at the Primary Care Centre are aligned to the services listed above.



I trust the above information addresses the issues raised in your representation.

Yours sincerely,

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