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Deputy Donna McGettigan Leinster House Kildare St. Dublin 2

Re: PQ 3383/25 - <u>"To ask the Minister for Health the number of general practices in</u> <u>Co. Clare for each of the years 2020 to 2024, in tabular form; and if he will make a</u> <u>statement on the matter"</u>.

Dear Deputy McGettigan,

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.

I wish to advise that I can only respond to you in respect of the General Practitioners (GPs) who hold a General Medical Services (GMS) contract with the HSE for the provision of GP care to eligible patients. GMS GPs would see both GMS patients and private patients in their practice and there may be more than one GMS GP in a GP practice.

I am not in a position to provide any information regarding GPs who engage in private practice only. The Medical Council of Ireland may be able to provide you with this information. They can be contacted at Kingram House, Kingram Place, Dublin 2, D02 XY88 or by telephone on 01 4983100.

 Year
 No. of GMS contracted GPs in Co. Clare

 2020
 55

 2021
 51

 2022
 51

 2023
 50

 2024
 51

I am outlining the number of GMS GPs operating in Co. Clare in the years 2020-2024:

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

Yours sincerely,

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