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Ms Louise O'Reilly, T.D. Dáil Éireann Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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**PQ 5865/25** – "To ask the Minister for Health if she is aware that the primary care centre in Balbriggan is being under-utilised while waiting lists for health services in north County Dublin continue to grow; if she has plans to use this space by increasing the availability of services within the Balbriggan medical centre; to provide details of the additional or expanded services; and if she will make a statement on the matter" – **Louise O'Reilly TD** 

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Balbriggan Primary Care Centre is located in the Integrated Health Area of Dublin North County and delivers a variety of integrated care services to meet the health needs of the local population. The centre is currently operating at maximum capacity providing the following list of the HSE services:

- Addiction Outreach clinic (Adult)
- Adult Mental Health Services
- Advice clinics Psychology, Occupational Therapy, Speech & Language Therapy
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)
- Children's Disability Network Team
- Chronic Disease Hub (Dublin North and Beaumont)
- Community Medical Doctor
- Counselling in Primary Care (CIPC)
- Dental (Adult and Paediatric special care)
- Dietetics
- Integrated Care Programme for Older People (ICPOP) community specialist team
- Mental Health Day Hospital
- Nursing (Adult and Paediatric)
- Occupational Therapy (Adult and Paediatric)
- Physiotherapy (Adult and Paediatric)
- Podiatry (Specialist in Diabetes) as part of Chronic Disease Hub
- Primary Care Social work (Adult)
- Psychology (Child)
- Rotunda Community clinics
- Speech and Language Therapy (Adult and Paediatric)
- Stop smoking service
- Substance Abuse Service Specific to Youth (SASSY) for 0 to 18 years

In addition to the above, the following non-HSE services are also available from Balbriggan **Primary Care Centre:** 

- Pharmacy
- Private Physiotherapy clinic
- St Michael's House Adult Day Services
- Two private GP Practices

The management and team would be delighted to welcome you for a visit to the centre to provide you with an opportunity to see our facilities first hand and discuss any questions you may have.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

**Gonne Barry** A/General Manager Primary Care **Dublin North County**