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Marie Sherlock T.D. Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

Re: PQ 32019/25 To ask the Minister for Health the number of GPs operating in each of the community area networks of Donegal east, Donegal north, Donegal south and west, Inishowen and south Donegal.

Dear Deputy Sherlock

The Heath Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position in the Donegal Integrated Healthcare Area (IHA), which comprises of the Donegal East Community Healthcare Network (CHN), the Donegal North CHN, the Donegal South and West CHN and the Inishowen CHN.

The South Donegal (Ballyshannon and Bundoran) region is not in the Donegal IHA. It forms part of the Sligo/South Donegal/Leitrim/ West Cavan IHA.

The table below provides a breakdown of the number of General Medical Scheme (GMS) GPs currently operating in the Donegal Integrated Healthcare Area (IHA)

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Area	Number of General Medical Scheme GPs
Donegal East	16
Donegal North	27
Donegal South and West	20
Inishowen	15
Total Number of GMS GPs	78

The figures contained in the above table pertain to GPs who have a GMS contract with the HSE, only.

The HSE Primary Care Services do not hold information regarding both the number of private GPs and the number of GPs operating in a locum capacity, within the Donegal IHA.



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

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