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Deputy Naoise Ó Cearúil  
Dáil Éireann,  
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***PQ ref 10051/25 - To ask the Minister for Health the action she is taking to expand GP services in Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter.***

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Dear Deputy Ó Cearúil

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 a response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Health Service Executive (HSE) can confirm that it does not limit the number of GPs who wish to take on a General Medical Services (GMS) contract in a specific location; they can either enter into an open entry contract or apply for an existing advertised position. When a General Practitioner (GP) resigns in a given area, the HSE will advertise to encourage new GPs to establish a practice there. GPs are self-employed and have the ability to set up a practice in any area they choose, depending on various factors.

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

Yours sincerely,

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