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***“To ask the Minister for Health in light of the failure to provide nursing cover for Tory island, when commitments will be fulfilled regarding providing nursing cover on the island at all times; and if she will make a statement on the matter.”***

Dear Deputy Doherty,

The Health 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 of Integrated Healthcare Area Donegal.

I can confirm that, due to unplanned leave, there was no nurse on Tory Island from May 2<sup>nd</sup> to May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025. However, all scheduled nursing activities had been completed in advance, and there was no disruption in nursing care during these dates. To ensure coverage for any unscheduled care, the HSE arranged for Community Paramedics to be present on Tory Island during this period.

The HSE remains committed to providing continuous access to health and social care services for the Island communities.

I trust that this is of assistance, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you require anything further.

Yours sincerely

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