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Deputy Sean Sherlock,  
Dáil Eireann,  
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To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider a request regarding the provision of an out of hour KDOC service at the new primary care centre in Athy; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

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**Dear Deputy Sherlock,**

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you regarding 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 can confirm the GP of Hours Service does not hold a clinic in Athy Health Centre. It has been deemed that there is insufficient demand for additional GP out-of-hours services in this location. Patients requiring the services of a GP out of hours travel primarily to the Kdoc service provided in Vista Primary Care Centre in Naas, Co. Kildare. This location also has a pharmacy co-located which is opened from 8 am to 12 midnight 7 days a week.

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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