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PQ 4196/24 – "To ask the Minister for Health his views on the provision of GP services in the Navan Road/Pelletstown/Ashtown area of Dublin West who have reported difficulty in accessing GP services and complain the list of doctors they have been provided with is out of date with retired and in some cases deceased GPs, and where an empty medical centre lies empty in Pelletstown; and if he will make a statement on the matter" - **Colm Burke TD**

Dear Deputy Burke

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.

There are 21 registered General Medical Services (GMS) GPs in the Dublin 7 area, 10 of whom are based within the Navan Road, Pelletstown, Ashtown area of Dublin West.

If clients are experiencing difficulty accessing a GMS GP, there is a facility available to them whereby if they have three or more refusals from GPs, they can write to the Medical Card Unit, GP Assignment Officer in the Primary Care Reimbursement Service (PCRS) who will subsequently assign them a GP within their area. The Primary Care Unit provide a current list of registered GMS GPs within the Dublin 7 area, please see attached. The contact details for a GP Assignment office is MCU.GPassignment@hse.ie

As the Pelletstown Medical Centre, is not a HSE building, unfortunately, we do not hold any information relating to it. GPs are independent contractors under the GMS scheme and are responsible for providing their own GP practice premises.

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

Yours sincerely,

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