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Mr Paul Kehoe, TD Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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**PQ 4336/24** "To ask the Minister for Health what measures are being taken to replace GP services in Tyrrelstown, Dublin 15 since a company (details supplied) due to difficulties recruiting a principal GP; and if he will make a statement on the matter." **Paul Kehoe, TD DETAILS SUPPLIED:** Centric Health in Tyrrelstown Medical Centre has closed having been in operation since 2005.

Dear Deputy Kehoe,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

As Tyrrellstown Medical Centre is a private practice and in this regard the HSE are not in a position to comment on the closing of same. GPs are independent contractors and therefore, they are responsible for the daily routine management of their own general practice including the registration of new patients to their practice.

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. A current list of registered GMS GPs within Dublin 15 is attached. The contact details for a GP Assignment officer is NMCU.GPassignment@hse.ie

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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