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Deputy Niamh Smyth Leinster House Kildare St. Dublin 2

Re: PQ 32187/24 - To ask the Minister for Health the services provided by NEDOC; the hours the service is provided in Cavan and Monaghan; the enhancements this service received in the past year; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Niamh Smyth

Dear Deputy Smyth,

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 outlined the position as follows.

In response to your PQ ref 32187/24 seeking clarity on the services provided by NEDOC, the hours the service is provided in Cavan and Monaghan and the enhancements this service received in the past year, please note the following information:

NEDOC provides urgent out of hours GP services to patients of participating practices in the North East - excluding Dundalk and Carlingford.

There are four treatment centres, one each in Cavan town, Castleblayney, Drogheda and Navan.

The hours of service are from 6pm-8am Monday to Thursday, and from 6pm Friday to 8am Monday and Bank Holidays.

There have been no enhancements to the service in the past year.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss same.

Yours sincerely,

Joseph Ruane

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