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PQ: 24732/24:

**To ask the Minister for Health the reason the medical card section is not accepting notices of assessment for couples, that shows both the taxpayer and spouse's income as proof of self-employment income; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Éamon Ó Cuív**

Dear Deputy Ó Cuív,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 24732/24), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The HSE Primary Care Reimbursement Service (PCRS) must ensure that all applications for services covered by the General Medical Services (GMS) schemes are properly processed under the eligibility rules governing these schemes. Medical Card eligibility is primarily based on an assessment of means, and all applications must be processed in accordance with the Medical Card/GP Visit Card National Assessment Guidelines.

Please note when a client is self-employed they are required to submit all pages of either most recent Notice of Assessment (NOA) or Acknowledgement of Self-Assessment from the Revenue Commissioners. These pages should include a Revenue Indicative Calculation. It is important to note, if all pages are not submitted, the PCRS will not be able to accept the NOA as part of the application.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Suzanne Doyle'.

Suzanne Doyle  
Primary Care Reimbursement Service

The Health Service Executive operates the General Medical Services Scheme, which includes Medical Cards and GP Visit Cards, under the Health Act 1970, as amended. It has established a dedicated contact service for members of the Oireachtas specifically for queries relating to the status of Medical Cards and GP Visit Cards applications, which the Deputy / Senator may wish to use for an earlier response. Tel: 01-8647180 / email: [Oireachtas.pcrs@hse.ie](mailto:Oireachtas.pcrs@hse.ie)