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RE:PQ 34431/24

"To ask the Minister for Health how long the service of child health and developmental checks in community healthcare west, carried out by public health nurses, will be cancelled; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Kerrane

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 in Primary Care.

Mountbellew Areas 4 and 5 are in Prioritisation, this means that PHN activities in this area are prioritised and certain activities may be delayed. It is our hope that 3 months of Prioritisation will be adequate, with an exit plan for the end of September, however this will need to be reviewed in mid-September. A review of backlogs is being completed this week.

If a member of the public has any concerns with regard to their child's health or development please do not hesitate to contact your local Public Health Nurse.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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