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NEW PQ 3209/21 (40) To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the inclusion of dental workers as priority 2 in the provisional vaccine allocation groups for the Covid-19 vaccine; and when such workers will be able to register for the vaccine in the HSE portal; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Daly,

Now that there are safe and effective vaccines available most people are keen to be vaccinated as quickly as possible. Currently the key constraint is the limited amount of vaccine available so it is not possible to reach everyone as quickly as we would like.

Dentists are included in group 2 as frontline healthcare workers in line with the Provisional Vaccine Allocation Groups published by government <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/39038-provisional-vaccine-allocation-groups/>.

Correspondence issued last Friday the 5th of February asking all frontline staff to register on the online portal and provided the link. The link will become available on Tuesday February 9th, 2021. The portal will be used to facilitate scheduling of vaccination appointments.

The HSE is aiming to roll out the vaccination programme as swiftly as it can in line with the allocation groups.

I trust this answers your question to your satisfaction.

Yours sincerely

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