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GENERAL DENTAL SERVICES FINANCIAL SUPPORT Q1 2021/22

I write to advise that the Minister of Health has approved the continuation of the General Dental Services Financial Support Scheme (FSS) for Quarter 1 2021 (April, May & June). Financial support beyond June 2021 remains under consideration.

As previously advised the provisions of the scheme remain under regular review to ensure that the available funding is being provided fairly and in a way that best meets the oral health needs of the public. Any alterations to the existing conditions of the FSS will be discussed with the British Dental Association in advance, including any changes to the activity thresholds.

In addition to securing approval for Q1 2021/22, a review has been carried out on PPE funding to date and I hope to be able to write to you next week with details of additional support related to activity carried out by practices during 2020/21.

Yours sincerely,



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