Addendum to:

***Submission to the Strategic Review of General Practitioner Services on behalf of General Practice Advanced Nurse Practitioners Ireland Group***
***February 2024***

In response to queries, the following seeks to add clarity to Section 4.1.2 page 17; '*Future Investment'*.

In order to meet Slaintecare's objectives and to assist with current challenges within general practice, we propose to initially increase our numbers to reflect 5% of the total current GP workforce (n=155) by 2025, with a 2% yearly target (n=46) going forward. This can be achieved through upskilling initiatives, educational opportunities and dedicated funding for nurses already employed in general practice. This correlates with the DoH's target to increase the total ANP workforce within the acute and integrated care setting to 5% of the nursing workforce. It is essential that primary care is included as part of the DoH's targets. In line with international countries, we need to maximise advanced nursing skills within the community, keeping patients at home, away from hospital, as per Saintecare's ethos.

***"We request the Minister of Health to support the growth of ANPs in General Practice to 5 % of the current GPN workforce by 2025, and 2 % yearly thereafter, substantially benefiting the Irish healthcare system"***