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Deputy Billy Kelleher, TD Dáil Eireann Kildare Street Dublin 2.

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* To ask the Minister for Health the number of new patients that have received access to naxolone in 2017.

Dear Deputy Kelleher,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to your above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

The number of new patients is not currently available however to date in 2017 a total of 1039 Naloxone products were provided to services, this was a 2 fold increase on the previous year. In this year it should be noted that Naloxone previously supplied from 2015 would have been expired and people who use drugs would have required replacement which would account for part of this increase. In this year seven new services requested the product for supply within their services, which account for 457 products in 2017.

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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