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To ask the Minister for Health the number of beds in the National Rehabilitation Hospital; the number occupied, empty, and closed, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

To ask the Minister for Health if funding issues are causing beds at the National Rehabilitation Hospital to remain empty or not staffed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Louise O'Reilly

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

Thank you for your recent correspondence. The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Representation. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the current position.

The National Rehabilitation Hospital (NRH) has confirmed that they currently have 104 inpatient beds in service as at the 18th of December 2019. The Hospital had a historical approved ceiling of 108 beds, 12 of which were closed in December 2016, 8 of these beds were subsequently re-opened under collective Winter initiatives commenced in 2018 & 2019.

The NRH has witnessed significant cost growth in 2019, particularly in the context of increased maternity leave and nonpay inflation due to increased number of patients requiring enhanced levels of care.

I trust that this information is of assistance to you but should you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Mr John O'Donovan,
Head of Social Care