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Deputy Pearse Doherty, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Ref: PQ 10129/19 To ask the Minister for Health if Donegal Hospice, Letterkenny in County Donegal is accepting patient admissions; if not, the reason therefor; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Doherty,

The Health Service Executive has been asked to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I can confirm that Donegal Hospice Inpatient Unit in Letterkenny is accepting patient admissions for patients whose clinical needs can be appropriately met in the facility..

In recent weeks, I understand that due to full occupancy there was one patient who could not be admitted to the Donegal Hospice. This patient remained under the care of the Community Palliative Care Team Clinical Nurse Specialist and GP. Please note that the Community Palliative Care Team will access palliative care medical consult if required to ensure that patient needs are being met.

I trust that this is satisfactory, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information.

Yours sincerely,

Dermot Monaghan,

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