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Deputy Pat Buckley TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street
Dublin 2.

Question: To ask the Minister for Health if the parents and or guardians of children involuntarily detained under the Mental Health Act 2001 are subject to inpatient fees; if so, the amount per year that is collected from this cohort; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Pat Buckley

Dear Deputy Buckley,

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

I wish to advise that parents/guardians of children involuntarily detained under the Mental Health Act 2011 are not subject to inpatient fees.

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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