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Mr. Sean Fleming T.D.,  
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Leinster House,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question – 29596/19**

**To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the provision of mental health services at a location (details supplied); the changes that have occurred to the provision of services there in recent months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Sean Fleming**

**Details - Health Centre Graiguecullen, Co Laois, Close to Carlow town**

Dear Deputy Fleming,

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 consulted relevant colleagues who have investigated the matter and there has been no changes to the provision of Mental Health Services, which are as follows:

Mental Health Services use the Health Centre in Graiguecullen every second Wednesday for an outpatient clinic which runs from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm, and an average of 35 patients attend. The Addiction Counsellor sees patients every Thursday from this facility. The Community Mental Health Nurse uses the facility Monday to Thursday for 1:1 blood monitoring and depots. The Occupational Therapist uses the facility on Fridays to see clients.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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