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PQ 29925/19

'To ask the Minister for Health if he has received correspondence from disability service providers regarding their concerns in relation to providing respite for adults with disabilities within CHO2; and if he will make a statement on the matter.'

Dear Deputy Rabbitte,

I refer to PQ 29925/19 uploaded on the PAD System on 5th July 2019 and due for response on 22nd July 2019 addressed to the Minister for Health regarding 'if he has received correspondence from disability service providers regarding their concerns in relation to providing respite for adults with disabilities within CHO2; and if he will make a statement on the matter.' The HSE has been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following response outlines the position.

Respite care involves the provision of alternative family or residential care for a person with a disability in order to enable the carer to get a rest, take a short break.

HSE Community Healthcare West is allocated a budget to provide respite care and service providers across the region provide this service on its behalf. Due to the complex nature of disabilities and the ageing population of persons with disabilities service providers request additional respite funding for adults on an on-going basis.

HSE Community Healthcare West expects to deliver fully on its Service Plan commitments in 2019 and this will be achieved within its allocated resources.

I trust that this response clarifies the matter that you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely

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