

Oifig an tUas. Pat Bennett, Príomhoifigeach, Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail, Lár Tíre, An Lú, An Mhí Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte, Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin, An Tulach Mhór, Co. Uíbh Fhailí.

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Mr. Shane Cassells T.D., Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Questions

26113/19

To ask the Minister for Health the number of respite hours provided for adults with an intellectual disability in County Westmeath in each of the years 2008 to 2018, in tabular form -Shane Cassells

26114/19

To ask the Minister for Health the number of respite hours provided for children with an intellectual disability in County Westmeath in each of the years 2008 to 2018, in tabular form -Shane Cassells

26115/19

To ask the Minister for Health the number of respite hours provided for adolescents with an intellectual disability in County Westmeath in each of the years 2008 to 2018, in tabular form -Shane Cassells

Dear Deputy Cassells,

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

I write to you in response to your request for the number of respite hours provided to children, adolescents and adults with intellectual disability in County Westmeath and further to our request for clarification the information provided below relates to number of bed nights and day only sessions.

Please note that as this request relates to historic information, details have been provided for the years from which this information is available to the HSE. Longford and Westmeath information is collated and reported as one entry so it is not possible to break out figures for Westmeath only.

| PQ Ref | Question | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
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| 26113/19 | Number of respite nights provided for adults with an intellectual disability in Longford/Westmeath | 3027 | 3209 | 3242 | 3104 | 2003 |
| 26113/19 | The number of day only respite sessions accessed by adults with an intellectual disability in Longford/Westmeath | N/A | 209 | 186 | 219 | 135 |
| 26114/19 | Number of respite nights provided for children with an intellectual disability in Longford/Westmeath | 1114 | 1028 | 943 | 917 | 724 |
| 26114/19 | Number of day only respite sessions accessed by children with an intellectual disability in Longford/Westmeath | N/A | 455 | 521 | 563 | 214 |
| 26115/19 | The number of respite hours provided for adolescents with an intellectual disability in County Westmeath | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

Please note that this service is categorised by the HSE as under 18 and over 18 and therefore it is not possible to make a distinction between children and adolescents.

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,

Pat Bennett

Chief Officer CHO Area 8