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PQ 26198/19

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of respite hours provided for children with an intellectual disability in County Mayo in each of the years from 2008 to 2018 in tabular form"

Dear Deputy Chambers,

I refer to PQ 26198/19 uploaded on the PAD System on 20th June 2019 and due for response on 2nd July 2019 regarding representations that you have made to the Minister for Health concerning "the number of respite hours provided for children with an intellectual disability in County Mayo in each of the years from 2008 to 2018 in tabular form". The HSE has been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following response outlines the position.

The Western Care Association (Respite Service Providers) has confirmed that data prior to 2012 is not available in the format that you requested as their records at that time did not always separate childrens and adults respite provision. Overnight Respite is recorded in terms of number of bed nights and Day Respite is recorded in terms of instances of respite and these can vary in length.

The data below includes Centre based, non-Centre based and home sharing respite provided to children in County Mayo for the years 2012 to 2018 inclusive. The breakdown between day and overnight respite is not available for the years 2012 and 2013.

Year	Number of Overnight Respite	Number of Day Respite	Total
2018	1464	366	1830
2017	1456	360	1815
2016	1418	728	2146
2015	1226	450	1676
2014	1175	515	1690
2013	1111	Data not available	1111
2012	3271 (includes over 18s using	Data not available	3271
	children's respite)		

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

Yours sincerely,

John Fitzmaurice,

General Manager,

Community Healthcare West.