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“To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons presenting to accident and emergency departments with a dual diagnosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Boyd Barrett

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 made enquiries on this matter and can advise as follows:

The HSE records emergency department attendances (presentations). However, the HSE does not record dual diagnosis.

Where a patient is subsequently admitted to hospital following an emergency department attendance, then the treatment they receive is recorded. This information is recorded on the Hospital Inpatient Enquiry System (HIPE). Having conferred with the HSE HIPE office, they advise that dual diagnosis is not recorded. In this case, no data exists.

Therefore, I regret to advise that the information you have requested is not available.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert Morton'.

Robert Morton
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