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Mr Brendan Smith T.D. Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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Re: PQ ref 11396/19 - Respite Services - GMPQ8129

To ask the Minister for Health when new facilities will be developed in relation to the provision of respite services (details supplied) in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Smith,

I refer to your recent correspondence in relation to the respite services for both children and adults in counties Cavan and Monaghan. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

When Annalee View Respite Service is fully operational it alternates between adult and children's respite. There is provision for adult respite for 26 weeks of the year and 26 weeks for children. There are a total of 95 service users who actively avail of respite from the Cavan Monaghan area. It is unfortunate that it is temporarily out of service but every effort is being made to support families as best as possible.

Joint working is currently active between Annalee Service and the second respite service for Adults with an Intellectual Disability within Cavan Monaghan, Steadfast House, Carrickmacross, Co Monaghan, to provide overnight respite to individuals as soon as possible.

Cavan Monaghan Disability Services currently offer a day respite service at the weekends for children and adults. Additional Home Support is available upon request and alternative respite options are being provided.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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