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Community
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Eamon O'Cuiv T.D.,
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
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PQ 20573/19

'To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide extra funding to the HSE western region for the provision of full-time residential care for persons with severe intellectual disabilities in view of the shortage of places in the region for such care and the unfair burden being placed on families that require this service; and if he will make a statement on the matter.'

Dear Deputy O'Cuiv,

I refer to PQ 20573/19 uploaded on the PAD System on 21st May 2019 and due for response on 28th May 2019 regarding representations that you have made to the Minister for Health concerning 'his plans to provide extra funding to the HSE western region for the provision of full-time residential care for persons with severe intellectual disabilities in view of the shortage of places in the region for such care and the unfair burden being placed on families that require this service; 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.

HSE Community Healthcare West has received an allocation of €1.667m towards the provision of new Full Time Emergency Residential Places in 2019. This funding is provided to address the demand for unplanned emergency residential places to respond to the most urgent cases on our waiting list.

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

Yours sincerely,

John Fitzmaurice,
General Manager,
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