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RE.: PQ Number 40645/19

To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the availability of palliative care here by LHOs in tabular form; the recommended locations for palliative care; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Browne,

The Minister has requested the HSE to respond directly to you on this matter. The response is as follows:

The information that you requested is outlined in Tabular form below

- Further information on palliative care services provided are Specialist palliative care services in the community are provided in “every” LHO
- Level 2 (intermediate) are provided in 28 of the 32 LHO’s so far in 2019.
- SPC is also provided in the Acute hospitals (not maternity, orthopedics etc.). currently 35 hospitals
- Bereavement services provided to people from 28 LHO’s

Specialist Palliative Care Inpatient Units (IPUs/ hospices shown by green rows) act as the hub of services in the community and include specialist palliative care beds, homecare, Day Care/OPD and education. Homecare teams managed by the hub can be based in other locations where geography / distance dictate. Where we do not currently have an IPU the homecare service is under the management /governance of public health nursing. The four voluntary homecare services in CHO 5 are the exception and efforts are underway to address this

CHO	IPU / LHO	Governance	IPU Beds	LHO Areas Served	Other Services Provided	Children Location / Coverage of Clinical Nurse Coordinator
1	Donegal Hospice Letterkenny	HSE	8	Donegal (apart from very south of county)	Day Care	Letterkenny General County Donegal
	North West Hospice, Sligo	Section 39	8	Sligo Leitrim, and South Donegal	Education; Research	
	Cavan Monaghan	HSE	-	Cavan Monaghan		Our Lady of Lourdes, Drogheda Counties Cavan Monaghan
2	Galway Hospice, Galway		18	Galway for homecare. Galway, Mayo Roscommon for inpatient care	Day Care; Education; Research	Galway University Hospital Counties Galway, Mayo, Roscommon
	Mayo	HSE	-	Mayo		
	Roscommon	HSE	-	Roscommon		
3	Milford Care Centre, Limerick	Section 39	30	Limerick, Clare and North Tipperary	Day Care; Education Research	University Hospital Limerick Counties Limerick, Clare, North Tipperary
4	Marymount University Hospital and Hospice, Cork	Section 39	44	North Cork, North Lee, South Lee, West Cork	Day Care; Education Research; Pain Clinic	Cork University Hospital County Cork
	Kerry Hospice	HSE	15	Kerry	Day Care;	University Hospital Kerry County Kerry
5*	Waterford Hospice Movement	Section 39	-	Waterford		University Hospital Waterford Counties Waterford, Wexford, Carlow, Kilkenny and South Tipperary
	Carlow/Kilkenny Homecare	Section 39	-	Carlow and Kilkenny		
	South Tipperary Hospice Movement	Section 39	-	South Tipperary		
	Wexford Homecare	Section 39	-	Wexford		
6	Our Lady's Hospice and Care Services Blackrock			Dun Laoghaire, Dublin South East	Day Care;	Our Ladies Children's Hospital Crumlin South County Dublin, Wicklow and Kildare
	Wicklow	HSE	-	Wicklow		LauraLynn Children's Hospice &
7	Our Lady's Hospice and Care Services Harold's Cross	Section 38	36	Dublin South City, Dublin West, Dublin South West	Day Care Education; Research;	LauraLynn at Home – 8 beds (National service)
	St Brigid's Hospice	HSE	7	Kildare West Wicklow	Day Care;	
8	Laois Offaly	HSE	-	Laois Offaly		Midlands Regional Hospital Mullingar Counties Laois, Offaly, Longford and Westmeath
	Longford Westmeath	HSE	-	Longford Westmeath		
	Louth Meath	HSE	-	Louth Meath		
9	St. Francis Hospice, Raheny and Blanchardstown	Section 39	43	Dublin North City and County	Day Care; Education; Research;	Children's University Hospital North County Dublin
Total					221	+ 8 beds in LauraLynn

Yours Sincerely,



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