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Deputy Róisín Shorthall, Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

PQ 11178/20 - "To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons living in direct provision that were offered an isolation room in a hotel since the HSE took over the hotel in April 2020; the number of persons living in direct provision that moved into a room in the hotel during the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

-Róisín Shorthall

Dear Deputy Shorthall,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

The Self-Isolation Facility at Citywest Hotel was set up under the governance of HSE Community Operations. This is not an acute medical facility and the purpose is to provide a safe environment for residents to self-isolate and the minimise the risk of community transmission of COID-19. It is a self isolation facility for people who have tested positive for Covid-19 or close contacts who are at increased risk of transmission of Covid-19 and who are unable to self-isolate in their own community. The average length of stay in the Covid-19 Self Isolation Facility is 9 days.

As outlined below, the Health Service Executive (HSE) can supply information regarding the number of individuals referred and accommodated within the Citywest facility from direct provision services in the period from April 1st to June 18th inclusive

Total number of Admissions to Citywest from Direct	97
Provision Services	

I trust this clarifies the position for you. However, if you require any further information or details do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Siobhán McArdle,

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