

13<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Deputy Brendan Griffin  
Dáil Éireann,  
Dublin 2.

**PQ Ref Number: 29261/20 “To ask the Minister for Health if he will intervene to save St. John of Gods Services, Monavalley, Tralee, County Kerry (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.”**

**Details Supplied: Letter from St. John of God**

Dear Deputy Griffin,

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

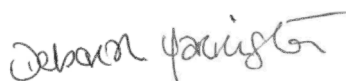
The HSE confirms that St John of God Community Services clg. has made known its intention to give 12 months' notice with a view to transferring responsibility for operating services, currently funded by the HSE, in respect of both disability and mental health supports to the state.

In the first instance, it is of critical importance to reassure service users, families and the public that these vital supports and services will continue to be provided without disruption.

The HSE values the services provided by SJOGCS clg. as a significant funded support provider. Importantly, the HSE will continue to work positively with SJOGCS clg. in order to resolve the sustainability challenges that have been raised.'

I trust this clarifies the situation for you.

Yours sincerely



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