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Ms Carol Nolan T.D.,  
Dáil Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question – 30051/20**

**To ask the Minister for Health the measures being taken to prioritise the full reopening of day care services for adults with an intellectual disability in counties Laois and Offaly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Carol Nolan**

Dear Deputy Nolan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outline response as follows.

Minister Rabbitte requested the development of an on-line portal to provide up to date information on the status of all Adult Disability Day Services in Laois and Offaly. All Services have met their reopening dates and are working to increase capacity.

Some funding has been made available to allow for the recruitment of additional staff to repatriate staff back from Residential to Day Services. This will increase hours for individuals to access their Day Service Support. Additional once off funding has been made available to support initiatives to promote an increase in Day Service provision for all Service Users.

I trust the above is in order and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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Pat Bennett  
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