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Deputy Fergus O'Dowd
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Re: PQ – 31155/20 – To ask the Minister for Health the steps he has taken to mitigate against any potential service emergency in the disability and residential care sector in view of the announcement by St. John of God that it will be withdrawing from service provision under current circumstances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – Fergus O'Dowd

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

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 the position as follows.

SJOG Service issued to the HSE on the 30th September 2020 “Notice of Termination of Service Arrangement”. The HSE continues to engage both nationally and locally with SJOG Services and both are working in partnership to mitigate against service disruption and put in place actions to ensure same.

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

Yours sincerely,

Pat Bennett
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