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**12<sup>th</sup> November 2020,  
Deputy David Cullinane,  
Dail Eireann,  
Dublin 2.**

**PQ Number: 31404/20**

**PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of staffed adult psychiatric beds operational and available in the public system on the first day of the month for each month in 2019 and up to September 2020, by month in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

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 the following outlines the position.

Public Mental Health beds include both Approved Centre beds and Community Residences. Each approved centre is registered for a particular number of beds with the MHC (see table below). Occupancy rates vary according to a number of different factors including the acuity of the clinical presentations, the availability of appropriate staffing including nurse specials as required. It is recommended that approved centres operate at 85%, however there are times when they operate above this. Capacity increases or decreases based on the needs of the population and it is important that units maintain capacity to respond to urgent cases.

The table below provides information on the number of beds in Approved Centres, the Specialist Rehabilitation Unit and the National Forensic Mental Health Service. In addition there are Community 24 hour and Medium and Low Support Community Residences at CHO level either directly provided by the HSE or through Housing Agencies. The HSE does not collate bed data for adult services on a monthly basis.

	Q2 - 2020		2019	
	Units	Beds	Units	Beds
CHO 1	3	91	3	91
CHO 2	3	104	3	104
CHO 3	2	76	2	81
CHO 4	5	171	5	171
CHO 5	2	88	2	88
CHO 6	3	79	3	105
CHO 7	3	138	3	138



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CHO 8	4	109	4	112
CHO 9	4	139	4	139
NFMHS	8	93	9	103
SRU	2	27	2	27
<b>National</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1,115</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1159</b>

The following is a list of 24 hour Community Residences.

Q2 2020		
Community Residences	Units	Beds
CHO 1	5	40
CHO 2	15	94
CHO 3	10	123
CHO 4	16	198
CHO 5	23	239
CHO 6	5	77
CHO 7	9	109
CHO 8	13	109
CHO 9	23	226
<b>National</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>1215</b>

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours Sincerely

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