

**17 September 2020**

Mr Brendan Smith T.D.  
Dáil Éireann  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

**PQ Ref 22330/20 - Provision of Additional Residential Facilities for Adults with Intellectual and/or Physical Disability Cavan and Monaghan**

Details

*To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide additional residential facilities for adults with an intellectual or physical disability in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Brendan Smith*

Dear Deputy Smith

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.

There are currently 13 Community Group Homes providing residential accommodation to 76 people with an intellectual disability in the Cavan Monaghan catchment area.

In addition Bothar Oirialla Group Home, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan, developed by Respond Housing Agency, has the capacity to provide five residential placements to people with a physical and sensory disability. The funding required to operate this Group Home is not within the current budget allocation to HSE CHO1 Disability services. The HSE is required to provide supports and services within the context of the National Service Plan and within its defined budget allocation. However, I can confirm that the HSE has continued to apply for the additional funding required through the estimates process. I will be in a position to update you again on the outcome of this process when 2021 budget allocation is advised.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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**Edel Quinn**  
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