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**PQ 24865/20**

*\*To ask the Minister for Health if the Carmora service in Dún Laoghaire, County Dublin is short-staffed; if so, the reason; if the HSE is responding to the need for additional staffing for the service for persons with additional needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Richard Boyd Barrett*

Dear Deputy Boyd Barrett,

Thank you for your recent correspondence. The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Representation. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the current position.

I can confirm that St John of God Disability Services (SJOG) are currently working towards full resumption of services and HSE Disability Services are liaising with them directly in this regard.

I can also confirm SJOG report reduced staff in some Day Service locations due to the ongoing effects of recent restrictions in the Community due to Covid-19. SJOG presently have six staff self-isolating, they have one staff member on long term sick leave with Covid-19 related illness, they also currently have some staff redeployed from Adult Day Services locations to support residents with Day Service activities in their Residential homes. This is in an effort to minimise risk for vulnerable Service Users and maintain current directives and guidelines for social distancing.

I trust that this information is of assistance to you but should you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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