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Deputy Brendan Griffin TD
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To ask the Minister for Health if he will urgently review the number of ambulances available at any given time in County Kerry in the Christmas period in the context of the increased population of the county due to visitor numbers; if the provision of ambulances for County Kerry will be reflective of the inflated population for this period as distinct from CSO Census population figures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Brendan Griffin

Dear Deputy Griffin,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted for response.

The number of ambulances across County Kerry for the upcoming Christmas period is equivalent to any other Bank Holiday weekend. NAS has ensured full rosters for emergency cover over the festive period and full provision of our Intermediate Care Service (ICS), COVID cars and Rapid Response Vehicle (RRV). NAS will continue to monitor the impact of COVID-19 and the Public Health advice and will respond appropriately.

I trust this information is of assistance to and should you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours sincerely,

William Merriman
Deputy Director
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