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Deputy Brid Smith
Dáil Éireann,
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Re: PQ number 14412/21

Question: To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of all Covid 19-related deaths in nursing homes in January and February 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Brid Smith

Dear Deputy Smith,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

Response

This response describes data up to midnight March 17th 2021. Data were extracted from HPSC's Computerised Infectious Disease Reporting System (CIDR) on March 18th 2021 at 7:30 am. CIDR is a dynamic system and case details may be updated at any time. Therefore, the data described here may differ from previously reported data and data reported for the same time period in the future.

In total, there were 4,566 COVID-19 related deaths notified by midnight on the 17th of March 2021. Of these, 2,136 (46.8%) had a date of death in January or February 2021. A total of 821 of these cases were linked to outbreaks in nursing homes and an additional 36 individuals were indicated to reside in a nursing home.

If you require any further information or clarification please do contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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