

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

Deputy Pearse Doherty  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

**Re. PQ ref 53318/21 - Adult Centre at Gaelic Hub Park in Carndonagh, Co. Donegal.**

**To ask the Minister for Health if recruitment of staff for transport services to a HSE centre (details supplied) in County Donegal is ongoing or planned; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Doherty

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Representation, which you submitted to the Chief Officer, CHO 1 for response. I have examined the matter, and the following outlines the position.

Having examined the matter, the following outlines the position.

Donegal Disability Services acknowledges the current deficits in transport services for service users attending HSE day centres in the Inishowen area. The transport to day centres is provided by Seirbhís Iompair Tuaithe Teo (SITT) Rural Transport on behalf of the HSE. The HSE has been informed by SITT that it is currently recruiting for part-time travel escorts for persons with intellectual disabilities and the company is hopeful that the shortfalls in service will be resolved as soon as possible. In order to have a full resumption of day services for clients, the HSE is actively recruiting for health care assistants at present.

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

Yours sincerely



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**Edel Quinn**  
**Head of Service Disability CHO1**  
**Ceann na Seirbhíse Míchumas**  
**Eagraíocht Chúram Sláinte Limistéar 1**