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"To ask the Minister for Health the measures that have been put in place to address the staff shortages in Cashel Na Cor, Buncrana, Co. Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Mac Lochlainn

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.

I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Donegal Disability Services are actively working with HSE Recruitment to ensure contingencies are in place for staffing in Cashel Na Cor. At present there is a recruitment campaign underway for Social Care Staff following which a panel will be in place which will assist with the filling of vacant posts across Services.

As of Monday, 22nd November, the day services for Priority 1 day service users have resumed to pre-Covid-19 outbreak levels. The service will be increasing on a phased basis in line with the management of the outbreak to restore full service resumption as soon as possible. This is a priority for Donegal Disability Services.

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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