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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the €7.65 million of revenue funding and €6 million of once-off funding allocated to purchasing additional capacity for mental health services; the amount spent to date; the breakdown of services provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter - Mark Ward

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

NSP 2021 €7.65m - Additional MH Beds					
	Provider	Beds	Annual Cost €	Cost per bed €	Spend in 2021 €
Specialist Rehabilitation Unit	Highfield	10	2,483,688	248,369	413,948
MHID beds	Talbot	5	1,210,855	242,171	201,809
Community step down beds	DePaul	8	651,542	81,443	0
Long term low secure	Various	7	3,303,915	471,988	0
		30	7,650,000		615,757
COVID once off fund 2021:					
COVID once off Placements fund			5,000,000		3,888,000
Total			12,650,000		4,503,757

Note 1: In relation to the €7.65m additional Mental Health beds, Mental Health services were obliged to undertake a detailed procurement process with various private providers to enable commencement of services. While there is minimal spend in 2021 it is expected that the full budget will be utilised in 2022.

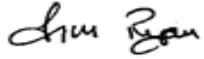
Note 2: The €5m once off COVID placements fund relates to short term placements required in Mental Health acute units required to generate special requirements due to COVID.

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I trust this information is of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



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