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Deputy David Cullinane, TD
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this Department for response.

49794/21

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of private intermediate care bed days purchased in 2020 and to date in 2021, by service type. -David Cullinane

As part of COVID and Winter Planning in 2020/2021 additional short stay bed capacity was secured across the country from private nursing homes. These beds provide additional therapeutic and medical supports to regular transitional care beds and are in place to support hospital discharges and hospital avoidance capacity. These beds commenced coming on stream on 25th November 2020.

As at 31st December 2020 – 164 private beds were in place.

As at 30th September 2021 – 506 out of 526 contracted private beds were in place.

2020: (25th November – 31st December): 3,740 bed days.

2021: (1st January – 30th September): 127,073 bed days.

2020	Total Beds		Total Days	Bed Days
Totals 2020 (25 th November– 31 st December)	164		36	3,740

2021	Total Beds		Total Days	Bed Days
Totals 2021 (1 st Jan – 30 th Sept)	506		272	127,073



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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Tuohy".

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