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Paul Donnelly TD Dáil Eireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

Ref: PQ 46533/21

Re: Dublin West

"To ask the Minister for Health the definitive timeframe and plan for the full reopening of adult day services in an area (details supplied)."

Paul Donnelly TD

Dear Deputy Donnelly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you regarding the above matter. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The resumption of day services for adults with disabilities recommenced in August 2020. Since August 2020 day services have been guided under Public Health advice in relation to infection prevention and control with the result that day services' capacity was reduced.

The Government's plan announced on August 31st 2021 now enables full restoration of adult day services by October 22nd 2021. Service providers are working with ourselves in Dublin South, Kildare and West Wicklow CHO to put in place the necessary additional measures and safeguards to fully restore service levels at all locations. When full service is restored the infection prevention and control measures that have been put in place to support the resumption of services will continue in line with the Government's Roadmap. Providers will continue to liaise with our service users and families about the full return to day services.

I trust the above information is of use to you and if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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