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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults that have been placed in specialist eating disorder units outside the State in each of the years 2018 to 2021; the number of these cases which involved the use of a High Court wardship jurisdiction in order to arrange placement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Róisín Shortall

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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.

In the years 2018-2021, 8 patients accessed Eating Disorder care abroad, of which 5 patients were under a High Court wardship.

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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