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REF: PQ 39385/22

Dear Deputy Conway-Walsh,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in response to the above PQ which you have requested from the Minister for Health. I apologise for the delay in response on this issue.

There are currently 12 + 40 + 48 (100) convalescence beds however not all open due to staffing however it should be noted that Saolta are not making referrals even for all the open beds

Mayo has a significantly higher number of convalescence beds to support acute hospital step downs than the national average. There are no plans to increase the number of step down beds in Mayo

I trust this answers your query, but please contact us if you require further clarification.

Yours sincerely

Chief Officer