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Deputy John Brady
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PQ: 41548/22 “To ask the Minister for Health the number of referrals that have been made to a service (details supplied) in 2021 and to date in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Details supplied: Autism Initiatives

Dear Deputy Brady,

Thank you for your recent correspondence. The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the current position.

Autism Initiatives have confirmed the following number of referrals in relation to Wicklow Day Service/Wicklow Horizons.

In 2021, Autism Initiatives had four referrals to Wicklow Horizons. Three of these opted to go to other service providers and one is now accessing a full day service at Wicklow Horizons.

In 2022, Autism Initiatives have had three referrals to Wicklow Horizons. Two are ongoing (assessed as compatible and are liaising with HSE Disability Services with regards to funding. Placements will be dependent on securing the required funding and on managing to recruit the required staff.

The third person was assessed as having needs which were incompatible with the service that Autism Initiatives can provide at this location.

I trust that this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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