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Dear Deputy Grealish,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following parliamentary question, which was submitted to this department for response.

PQ 25263/22

To ask the Minister for Health the future entitlements of a disabled person currently entitled to State disability services when they inherit half the family home upon their parents' death, which would continue to be their primary residence; the position in a case in which the family home was to be sold; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

HSE Response

Disability Services are provided to the individual based on the needs and requirements of the individual.

Any change in financial circumstances in respect of a citizen receiving means tested or financially assessed state funded services, require a notification to each agency managing the schemes which the service user is availing of, for example, if that person is in receipt of Disability Allowance then the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection must be contacted and if in receipt of a medical card, the HSE must be contacted.

It is the case that an inheritance may result in the loss of the means tested entitlement depending on the means tested thresholds.

In the case of Maintenance and Accommodation residential arrangements (excluding 'Fair Deal') for persons with disabilities funded by the HSE, or its funded agencies, the contribution to care is calculated by way of a financial assessment rather than a means test.

The maximum rates payable are;

Maximum weekly Contribution <i>Residential Support Services Maintenance and Accommodation Contribution</i> <i>'RSSMAC'</i>

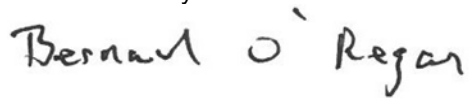


Accommodation Category*	Income above	Maximum Contribution
Category A	€223	€179
Category B	€209	€134
Category C	€203	€74

*The category indicates the level of medical or nursing care provided on site

An inheritance would have no effect on the entitlement to this service or the contribution to care paid on income exceeding €223 per week and an asset such as a house is not included in the assessment so is not relevant here.

Yours Sincerely



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