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Deputy Danny Healy-Rae T.D., Dáil Éireann Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of beds operational at a medical setting (details supplied) in County Kerry; the number that are vacant; the reason that they are vacant; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Details Supplied: "How many beds are now operational in St Columbanus home Killarney and how many beds are being utilised and how many are vacant and why are these beds vacant?"

Dear Deputy Healy-Rae,

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.

Killarney Community Hospitals (incorporating St Columbanus Home) is located on the outskirts of Killarney town and provides a broad range of services for older people in the community. There is a strong association between this healthcare setting and the local community of Killarney and the wider population of County Kerry. The centre is registered to provide care for residents with various dependencies.

There are currently 65 beds operational at St. Columbanus Community Hospital. 64 of these beds are currently occupied and the 65th bed is booked; therefore there are no beds vacant at this centre at present.

I trust this clarifies the position. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jackie Daly Head of Service for Older People

