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Ms Róisín Shortall T.D., Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

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**PQ 49395/22** – To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting admission to acute psychiatric inpatient beds in a hospital (details supplied); and if he will make a statement in the matter – **Roisin Shorthall** 

**Details supplied**: North Dublin Mental Health Services Acute Admissions, The Ashlin Centre, Beaumont Road, Dublin 9

Dear Deputy Shorthall,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Ashlin Centre is a 46 bedded unit comprising of 38 General Adult and 8 Psychiatry of Old Age beds. The unit provides acute psychiatric inpatient care for those living in the North Dublin catchment area. I can confirm that there are currently three available beds for those requiring admission with no service users awaiting admission at this time.

Admissions to inpatient care are prioritised based on clinical and presenting needs. In circumstances where the clinical assessment necessitates inpatient care, and a bed is not available in the Ashlin Centre, all efforts are made to identify a placement in another approved centre.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

**Danny Connellan** 

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