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Deputy Neasa Hourigan,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Dublin 2

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**“To ask the Minister for Health the number of people with severe and enduring mental health difficulties under the care of the Cobh/Glenville and Midleton/Youghal adult mental health teams who have been transferred to continuing care or high support hostels outside those HSE catchments since June 2021; the number of people in this cohort of service-users within those HSE catchments who have been transferred in the same time-frame to nursing-homes, either within those HSE catchments or outside them; and if he will make a statement on the matter..”**

Dear Deputy Hourigan,

The Health Service Executive have been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted for the Minister for Health for a response.

Mental Health Services in Cork Kerry Community Healthcare aim to promote and protect the mental health of the population and to provide effective services to those who need them. Mental Health Services work collaboratively with other Health and Social Care Services. Our services have a strong focus on recovery and co-production and have consistently sought to develop and enhance community based services and reduce, where appropriate, those treated in more acute services.

Services are provided through community mental health teams and these teams are supported by day hospitals, day centres, residential centres and community residences / high support hostels and inpatient units.

CKCH Mental Health Services does not routinely gather or hold any statistical information in relation to the number of service users that have been transferred to Continuing Care, High Support Hostels or Nursing Homes within or outside of the North Lee Catchment area or any local area within the CHO, therefore the specific information requested cannot be provided.

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised.

Yours sincerely,

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