

23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2023

Mr Aindrias Moynihan, TD.,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Dublin 2

**PQ ref 6163/23**

**“To ask the Minister for Health when the seven-day services will be operational at a premises (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.”**  
**Details Supplied: COPE, Macroom, Co Cork**

Dear Deputy Moynihan,

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

As outlined in recent correspondence to you, COPE Foundation is actively engaged in a recruitment campaign to fill the necessary posts to open the Macroom facility as a 7 day service.

Recruitment takes time and is ongoing for nursing and senior nursing roles and for a number of care attendants. COPE is looking across the organisation to see if any internal transfers are possible.

When the staff are recruited, including all necessary paperwork completed and garda vetting in place, then we will provide you with an update on the date for commencement of the 7 day service.

If I can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



**Ms. Majella Daly,**  
**Head of Disability Services,**  
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