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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults who presented to the HSE seeking treatment for eating disorders who received inpatient treatment in non-dedicated eating disorder services in each of the years 2018 to 2022 and to date in 2023, by CHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – Mark Ward

Dear Deputy Ward,

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Adults with eating disorders can be admitted to any approved centre across the HSE for care and treatment.

Acute inpatient data is collected by the Health Research Board (HRB). The National Psychiatric In-Patient Reporting System (NPIRS) gathers data on patient admissions and discharges from psychiatric hospitals and units throughout Ireland, which are on the Register of Approved Centres under the Mental Health Act 2001.

The data below, provided by the HRB, outlines the number of adults aged 18 years and over who were admitted to public (HSE/HSE-funded) psychiatric units and hospitals with a primary admission diagnosis of eating disorders from 2018 - Q1 2023.

Number of admissions for adults (18 years +) to public psychiatric units and hospitals 2018-2023 with a primary admission diagnosis of Eating Disorders	
Year	No. Of Persons
2018	44
2019	38
2020	37
2021	50
2022	48



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Q1 2023*	10
*Acute units only Source: National Psychiatric In-patient Reporting System (NPIRS), Health Research Board © Health Research Board 2019-2023	

** Please note the information above has been provided by the HRB.
The NPIRS should be acknowledged in any publication where NPIRS data is used.

Further information on HRB data analysis and various publications can be found here:
<https://www.hrb.ie/> and here <https://www.hrb.ie/data-collections-evidence/psychiatric-admissions-and-discharges/latest-data/>

Any further queries or requests for information should be directed to the HRB directly.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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