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PQ ref 12732/23
"To ask the Minister for Health the details of the support the HSE provided to Marymount Hospice, Cork in January 2021, in the context of a Covid outbreak in the facility; the dates on which the HSE was informed of the outbreak; the dates that supports were offered and provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

PQ ref 12733/23
"To ask the Minister for Health the number of residents and the number of staff of Marymount Hospice, Cork who contracted Covid in January 2021; the exact dates these positive Covid tests cases were reported to the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Hourigan,

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

An outbreak in Marymount hospice was declared on 29/12/2020 in line with Covid-19 regulations at the time. Supports were offered in house from the confirmation of the first case. Once the outbreak was declared the Infection Prevention Control team in house with support from the Covid response team, the Community Infection Prevention Control Team and Public Health offered support and guidance in line with national and international guidelines at the time. There were 74 Covid-19 cases linked to the outbreak. For patient and staff confidentiality it is not possible to provide a breakdown of cases.

Yours sincerely,

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