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Patricia Ryan, TD Houses of Oireachtas Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

Ref: PQ 51564/23- Cherry Orchard Hospital

PQ Question:

To ask the Minister for Health if, with regard to the 'urgent evacuation'

of 68 vulnerable residents from Cherry Orchard Hospital, he will explain in detail, giving dates, of when the agreement between the HSE and Bartra to accept transfer of the 68 residents, specifically with reference to the date of the notice of that transfer as given, inconsistently, to the affected residents and their families; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

"Patricia Ryan"

Response:

Dear Deputy,

The decision to temporarily close the Willow and Sycamore Units in Cherry Orchard Hospital is to address the current safety risks associated with the flooring in these units and to enable permanent remedial works to be completed.

Older Persons Services will support residents and their families with this temporary relocation using the principles of ADM.

The HSE are offering residents the opportunity to temporarily transfer to Clondalkin Lodge Nursing Home. However, a resident can transfer to another registered nursing home if they wish. The Nursing Home Support Office will provide assistance with this process.

All residents will be invited to return to Cherry Orchard once the renovation works have been completed.

Yours sincerely,

Loraine Kennedy

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