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To ask the Minister for Health the maximum bed capacity in Áras Mhic Dara, An Cheathrú Rua each year from 2018 to 2023, in tabular form; the number of beds that are currently occupied; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Farrell

I refer to PQ ref 42203/23 uploaded on the 26th September, 2023 and due for a response on the 16th October regarding representation you have made to the Minister of Health regarding the maximum bed capacity in Áras Mhic Dara each year from 2018 to 2023. The HSE have been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following table outlines the current position.

	Registered	Open	Occupied	Planned Admission
2024	34	29	28	1

The number of beds open in Áras Mhic Dara Community Nursing Unit (CNU) during the period 2018-2019 remained at 34. However we are staffed at present for 29 beds.

I trust this response addresses the matter you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely

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