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Ms. Verona Murphy, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Dublin 2.

13th March 2024

PQ 42501/23

To ask the Minister for Health the total number of nursing home beds in County Wexford, both public nursing homes and private nursing homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

PQ 42502/23

To ask the Minister for Health the total number of beds vacant, as of 26 September 2023, in both public and private nursing homes in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

PQ 42503/23

To ask the Minister for Health the current total number of persons waiting for a nursing home placement in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

PQ 42504/23

To ask the Minister for Health the current number of persons in a medical setting who are awaiting a nursing home placement in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murphy,

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

I have examined the matter and the following composite response outlines the current position.

The following table provides an outline of Nursing Home bed numbers and vacancies as of 26th September 2023 in the Wexford area:

Private Nursing Home	Vacancy as of	Community Nursing	Vacancy as of
Total bed number	26/09/2023	Units total bed	26/09/2023
		number	
838	30	201	2



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As of 26th September 2023, there were 11 people in Acute Hospital and Short Stay Settings awaiting Nursing Home beds across the Wexford Area broken down as follows: (2 in Wexford General Hospital, 6 in HSE contracted beds in private Nursing Homes and 3 in transitional care beds in HSE Community Nursing Units). With regard to numbers waiting on the Nursing Home Support/Fair Deal, there were 16 people approved awaiting release of funding (waiting list is managed nationally).

Yours sincerely,

Helen McDaid Head of Service Older Persons South East Community Healthcare