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Deputy Mairéad Farrell,
Leinster House
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RE: PQ 41881/23

“To ask the Minister for Health if he has plans to expand capacity at a hospice (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Details: Galway hospice currently serves 300 palliative care patients but has only 18 beds available - that is 17 patients for every 1 bed, has he plans to Expand capacity?

Dear Deputy Farrell

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.

I can confirm that Galway Hospice Foundation is actively working on seeking a site for a new hospice for Galway and discussions are ongoing with the HSE. The number of inpatient beds for the new hospice will be agreed between the hospice and the HSE once a new site has been secured.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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