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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of people who died by suicide within 12 weeks of their discharge from a psychiatric hospital or unit, by hospital or unit, in 2021, 2022, 2023 and to date in 2024, in tabular form. -Róisín Shortall

Dear Deputy Shortall

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.

The HSE do not collect the above data. Also we don't have a national suicide register in Ireland – although QSUS are currently undertaking a feasibility study with UCC to look at developing a register.

Any further queries can be directed to Quality and User Safety Service.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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