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Re: PQ 15103/25

“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if she will provide a list of respite facilities currently accessible to adults with special and additional needs in the Roscommon-Galway area; if there are plans to expand the availability of such services; and if she will ensure that appropriate transport provision is in place to support individuals in accessing respite care within their communities; and if she will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Daly

I refer to PQ 15103/25 uploaded on the PAD System on the 26th March 2025 and due for response on the 13th April 2025 regarding representations that you have made to the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth in the above regard. The HSE has been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following response outlines the position.

Please be advised that the HSE does not directly provide respite supports in Roscommon. Respite supports are provided by our agency partners (the Brothers of Charity Roscommon and St. Hilda's Services) for adults with an intellectual disability. Referrals for respite and waiting lists are therefore held by these agencies.

Unfortunately, the demand for respite supports far outweighs the funding received. We are continuously advocating for additional respite funding to allow our agency partners provide much needed additional respite supports to families. As always, we endeavour to do our very best for the people we support with the limited resources we have.

I trust that this response has clarified the matter that you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Disability Services