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Deputy Erin McGreehan, TD
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Re: PQ 16124/25 - To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to provide details of the number of people who are using disability day services in Louth; specifically, the number of days of service provided during the 2023-2024 period, in tabular form; additionally, the average level of funding allocated per individual over this period; and whether the Department conducted an audit comparing the number of hours funded versus the actual hours provided to service users – Erin McGreehan

Dear Deputy McGreehan,

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 outlined the position as follows.

There are currently 506 adults with disability attending Day Services in Louth. The HSE Day Opportunity office allocates funding for placements to Service providers and does not fund individuals. The average funding allocated to individual placements is €18,000 for the weekly provision of 30 hours Day Services.

The Department has not conducted an audit comparing the number of hours funded versus the actual hours provided to Service Users. However, attendance and hours utilised are monitored through local Day Opportunity processes to include a quarterly attendance report submitted by all Providers, the Management of Vacant Places and the Change of Hours procedures in Day Services.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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