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PQ20754/25- To ask the Minister for Health the number of national independent review panel reports underway currently, by CHO area and, by the type of service under review; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Tóibín,

Thank you for your representation.

The NIRP was established in 2017 by the HSE to complete independent reviews of the most serious incidents in community health and social care services for HSE and HSE funded (Section 38 and 39). The NIRP consists of an independent panel of experts and is chaired by an independent Chairperson.

This is to ensure that reviews of HSE/HSE funded services and organisations are objective and independent of the HSE. The focus of NIRP reviews are on improvement and their goal is to find out what went wrong and why. NIRP reviews can be commissioned at regional level or at national level through the HSE Chief Social worker. Completed NIRP Reviews are presented to the Performance and Planning Subcommittee of the HSE Board.

There are currently no NIRP reviews underway.

I hope this provides you with some assistance.

Yours sincerely

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