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Mr. Darren O'Rourke, TD Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

Re: PQ Ref 6833/25

> To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if she will detail the transport budget for the HSE in CHO8 to support adults to get to and from disability adult day services, for each of the past five years; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy O'Rourke,

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 response. I have examined the matter and outlined the position as follows.

I can confirm that the HSE Disability Services does not have a separate transport budget for the provision of day services.

The Midlands Louth Meath (CHO 8) Day Opportunity Office was provided with once-off funding of €900,000 from HSE national during Covid to replace ageing vehicles with Day Service Providers. In 2024, National HSE provided CHO8 with a further €476,721 to purchase new vehicles in Provider Services across all six (6) counties.

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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