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PQ 7567/25 *"To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth what funding is in place for persons needing to access residential placements for family members living in Fingal west; if she will detail the application process; and if she will make a statement on the matter."* – **Louise O'Reilly, TD.**

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you with information in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Residential services comprise the largest part of the budget for Disability Services throughout Integrated Health Area Dublin North County (IHA DNC). Supports for both adults and children with disabilities continue to be provided in appropriate circumstances. It is acknowledged that with increases in demographics for persons living with a disability, coupled with increases in life expectancy and changing needs, the need for residential care has increased.

In the majority of cases, persons with a disability are linked with a service provider in their respective area who work collaboratively with Disability Services IHA DNC on prioritisation of need which includes in some instances residential care.

All requests for resources to fund residential placements are prioritised and approved based on service user need, risk and availability of financial resources which are finite.

I trust this information clarifies this matter for you.

Yours sincerely,

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