

27th June 2025

Deputy Willie O'Dea TD.,
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Re: PQ 35196/25: To ask the Minister for Health if there are any plans to increase facilities for adults suffering with eating disorders; if she is aware that there are only three adult beds in Ireland and that they are for the catchment area of St. Vincent's Hospital; if she agrees that this is wholly insufficient; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy O'Dea

I refer to the above parliamentary question which was sent to me for direct response.

Please be advised that the three adult beds allocated to patients with eating disorders are housed within the Elm Mount Unit. The Elm Mount Unit, while located on the St. Vincent's University Hospital campus, is under the governance of the HSE and queries relating to eating disorder facilities should be made directly to the Clinical Director in the Elm Mount Unit.

Yours sincerely,

Cahal Flynn,
Director of Operations.