

Bainisteoir Limistéar Sláinte Comhtháite Dhún na nGall

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Deputy Aisling Dempsey T.D. Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Children; Disability and Equality if she is aware that some people using disability day services are being charged daily transport fees; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Dempsey,

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 Children, Disability and Equality for response.

Having examined the matter, I can confirm that disability clients accessing transport services to attend their day services are currently contributing towards their means of transport. However, we are reviewing transport costs at present with a view to completely removing this contribution in a matter of weeks. This is as a result of a funding allocation from the Department of Children, Disability and Equality to assist with the transport costs for clients accessing Disability Day Services.

When this is implemented in the near future, it is anticipated that we will no longer be seeking any transport contribution from clients going forward.

I trust that this is of assistance, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you require anything further.

Le Dea-mhein

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