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Deputy John Brady Dáil Eireann, Dublin 2.

PQ ref 42195/25 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of people are on waiting lists in Wicklow for residential addiction services; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Brady,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for a response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Health Service Executive can confirm at present, the HSE does not publish county-level waiting list figures for residential addiction treatment services, including for County Wicklow. Referrals for residential rehabilitation are typically managed through local HSE Addiction Services, Community Drug Projects and Counselling services and individuals may access treatment through statutory, voluntary, or private providers.

Tiglin is a section 39 funded organisation, located outside Ashford in County Wicklow, and operates separate residential rehabilitation centres for men (up to approximately 25–30 residents) and in Brittas Bay, County Wicklow, women (around 12 beds), offering a structured, holistic programme of up to nine to ten months that includes one-to-one counselling, life-skills development, education and employment support. It also provides aftercare, supported housing and community reintegration pathways to foster long-term recovery and societal engagement. Current sourced waiting lists July 2025 for Tiglin indicate a waiting list of 44 for the Men's Ashford Centre and 22 for the Brittas Bay Women's centre.

Additionally, the HSE and Department of Health are implementing the 2025 Waiting List Action Plan (WLAP) under Sláintecare and remains committed to improving access to addiction treatment services where possible as part of the national Waiting List Action Plan and ongoing implementation of the national drugs strategy.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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