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Deputy Johnny Guirke
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
Dublin 2

Re PQ 11397/25 To ask the Minister for Health the number of palliative care nurses in Meath working for the HSE; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Guirke

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

Meath Regional Specialist Palliative Care Services have 9.39 WTE community based Clinical Nurse Specialists. This figure includes a clinical nurse specialist in the Meitheal programme which supports palliative care in nursing homes. They are rostered on a 5 over 7 day basis, providing a 7 days a week service including public holidays

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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