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Mr. John McGuinness TD Dail Eireann Leinster House Dublin

## PQ 26162/25

To ask the Minister for Health to arrange for a meeting room to be made available in a facility (details supplied), for use by local organised groups whose members are recovering from major life changing health issues, such as acquired brain injury or stroke; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Details supplied: The old St. Canice's Hospital Building, Lacken, Dublin Road, Kilkenny.

**Dear Deputy McGuinness** 

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health and Minister for State for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

The only service users that currently attend St Canice's Hospital are Mental Health Service Users. I do not in principle have any objection to service users using a room in St Canice's and we are happy to explore options subject to assurances which would include public liability cover.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. Anne Donaghey

Head of Service: Mental Health Services