

9th October 2025

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PQ ref 52338/25

To ask the Minister for Health the total bed capacity of Aras Mhic Dara, Community Nursing Unit; the number of beds currently in use in the unit; the number of beds currently closed in the unit; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Connolly

I refer PQ ref 52338/25 uploaded on the PAD System on the 26th September, 2025, due for response on the 16th October, 2025 in relation to the total bed capacity in Aras Mhic Dara, Community Nursing Unit (CNU), Carraroe; the number of beds currently in use in the unit; the number of beds currently closed in the unit and if the Minister will make a statement on the matter. The HSE has been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following response outlines the position.

I wish to confirm that there are thirty eight registered beds in Aras Mhic Dara CNU, twenty nine are currently in use and nine are temporarily closed due to staffing issues.

I trust this response addresses any issues you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely

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