



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte  
Health Service Executive

## HSE Board Briefing

**Subject:** Summary of the HSE planning and service delivery response for people fleeing from Ukraine seeking refuge in Ireland

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### Why is this information being brought to the Boards attention?

A further update on the Health service response to support people fleeing Ukraine was requested by the Board.

### Is there an action by the Board required, if so please provide detail?

The enclosed report is for noting at this time.

### Brief summary of link to Board objectives

- The development and implementing of an effective Corporate Governance Framework, incorporating clinical governance and a performance management and accountability system; ☐ \*
- Developing a plan for building public trust and confidence in the HSE and the wider health service; ☐ \*
- Ensuring the HSE's full support for and implementation of the Government's programme of health reform as set out in the Sláintecare Implementation Strategy; ☐
- Exercising effective budgetary management, including improving the value achieved with existing resources and securing target saving, with the objective of delivering the National Service Plan within Budget. ☐

### Background

This paper provides an update for the Board on the HSE planning and service delivery response for people fleeing from Ukraine seeking refuge in Ireland. It also includes an update from the HSE Global Health and Procurement Group, as led by Dr. David Weakliam, and their work to date to support the overall HSE response.

As of the 16<sup>th</sup> June 36,218 people from Ukraine have entered Ireland. 26,599 of those have sought emergency accommodation in IPAS.

The enclosed paper provides a summary of the current situation regarding volumes of people arriving and accommodation. The paper summarises briefly key issues arising and then provides a snapshot of the current operational response. The paper then gives a brief description of active areas of work being undertaken under each workstream as part of the ongoing work of the Ukrainian Health Response Planning and Coordination group.

### Highlight any implications that the Board should be made aware of in its consideration

The enclosed paper includes a Risk Register in appendix one which sets out the key issues identified to date, and associated mitigations. Please note this is a work in progress and under active review. The Risk Register is shared internally and with the Department of Health on a weekly basis and with the Humanitarian SOG as requested.

### Conclusion

The HSE is endeavouring to respond in a planned and coordinated manner to the needs of people fleeing Ukraine and arriving into Ireland. This is part of a much wider cross governmental response and the HSE requires ongoing support and inputs from other government agencies etc. to ensure that we can respond effectively and as appropriate.

**Recommendation**

N/A