



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 as 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 and International Protection Applicants (IPAs) arriving in Ireland.

As of the 13th October 2022 53,239 people from Ukraine have entered Ireland. 42,140 of those have sought emergency accommodation in IPAS. As at 13th October 2022 approximately 11,000 IPAs have arrived in Ireland year to date.

The enclosed paper provides an overview of the current situation regarding volumes of displaced people arriving in Ireland and their accommodation arrangements. It also summarises the current operational response and planning work to deliver a future whole of organisation service delivery model in the context of the ongoing emergency response to the war in Ukraine and continuing arrivals from Ukraine alongside International Protection Applicants.

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 working document 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