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Deputy Thomas Gould, TD Dáil Eireann Kildare Street Dublin 2.

## Re PQ: 52612/21

To ask the Minister for Health the isolation facilities available for persons who are vulnerable such as those who use the HSE Keltoi Rehabilitation Unit in each CHO in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Gould,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to your above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

Currently isolation beds are provided via existing Homeless/ Addiction facilities across the Community Healthcare Organisations where self-isolation is occurring within the services.

In addition Cork Kerry Community Healthcare have a number of houses that they have reserved for self-isolation. Under the Winter Initiative they will be opening a new self-isolation facility to replace Gabriel house which closed earlier this year. Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City & County has a total COVID isolation bed capacity for people who are vulnerable under social inclusion of 22 beds.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Joseph Doyle

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