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Mr. Alan Kelly, T.D.,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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To ask the Minister for Health what clinical and financial protocols were used for the decision to take over a nursing home (Aperée Living Callan)

Dear Deputy Kelly,

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

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

The determination for the HSE to 'take over' a nursing home known as Aperée Living Callan Limited, (ALCL) Callan Co Kilkenny was in response to the Health Information Quality Authority, the regulator, seeking a District Court Order under Section 64,(4),(b) of the Health Act 2007 on 2nd November 2023. The HSE subsequently entered the premises on 3rd November 2023 and have remained in situ 'as if' the HSE were the registered provider.

The HSE have worked with HIQA and the owners of the premises since November 2023 to maintain the residents' safety and welfare however, you will be aware from recent media communication, the HSE are no longer in a position to provide a safe staffing levels. All residents, their families and ALCL staff were informed on 26th March 2024 by letter, phone call and meetings informing them that a process of transferring residents to alternative locations, of the residents and families' choice, would commence. This is supported by availability of beds across the local areas and three transfers will occur today.

The HSE have thanked both the cooperation and support received by all during this difficult time and will continue to work closely to support the residents moves to their new homes.

I trust this clarifies, if you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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