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Deputy Neasa Hourigan, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 604 of 25 April and 468 of 18 May and 702 of 27 June 2023, the number of people with severe and enduring mental health difficulties under the care of the Cobh/Glenville and Midleton/Youghal adult mental health teams who have been transferred to continuing care or high-support hostels outside those HSE catchments since February 2021 when the Owenacurra Centre took its last referral for residential placement; the number of people in this cohort of service-users within those HSE catchments who have been transferred in the same timeframe to nursing homes, either within those HSE catchments or outside them; the reason that this information was not provided in the response to the Parliamentary Question, given that the information could be obtained by requesting it from the consultant psychiatrists on the two mental health teams under whose care the service-users in questions would have been, and given that similar information on the transfer of east Cork service-users was provided in response to previous Parliamentary Questions; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Hourigan,

The Health Service Executive have been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted for the Minister for Health for a response.

Cork Kerry Community Healthcare Mental Health Services does not routinely gather or hold any statistical information in relation to the number of service users that have been transferred to Continuing Care, High Support Hostels or Nursing Homes within or outside of the North Lee Catchment area or any local area within the CHO, therefore the specific information requested cannot be provided

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised.

Yours sincerely,

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