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Deputy Duncan Smith T.D.,
Leinster House,
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Re: Parliamentary Question - 5852/24

To ask the Minister for Health the total number of stepdown beds available in County Longford.

Dear Deputy Smith,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outline the position below.

The HSE provides long term and short term care in St. Josephs, Longford comprising of 56 Long Term Care beds and one (1) Palliative Care bed. There are no step down beds available in St. Josephs.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Fitzsimons', written over a horizontal line.

Dr Donal Fitzsimons

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