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Deputy Mark Ward Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults who presented to the HSE

looking for treatment for eating disorders that were referred to non-eating disorder inpatient public acute mental health facilities from 2018 to date, by year, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Mark Ward

## **Dear Deputy Ward**

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 the following outlines the position.

Currently there is no mental health data collection system by diagnosis. The National Clinical Programme for Eating Disorders (NCPED) have engaged with the Office of the Chief Information Officer in relation to developing a data system that will track patients over time. Therefore, the data requested by the Deputy in the above Parliamentary Question is not available at this time

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Mc Cusker General Manager

**National Mental Health Services** 

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