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Deputy Mairéad Farrell,

Leinster House

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**RE: PQ 44639/24 "To ask the Minister for Health the total number of respite services in Galway; the total number of people currently availing of them; and if he will make a statement on the matter"**

Dear Deputy Farrell,

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. The matter has been examined and the following outlines the position within the services

- Primary Care. Primary Care Services Galway have one bed in Hospice for respite.
- Disability Services - Respite in Galway Disability Services is delivered by our Section 38/39 agency partners and for profit organisations. The latest available Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for Q3 2024 indicate that 5 agencies provided 363 people we support with respite.
- Older Persons Service - the total number of Respite services under OPS in Galway is two with the total number of people availing of them being eight to nine people at any given time. Respite is provided for four weeks over a twelve month period (6 - beds in Merlin Park and 2-3 beds in Clifden depending on demand).
- Mental Health Service - Respite services are not provided in Mental Health service.

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

Yours sincerely,

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