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Ms Pauline Tully TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2 D02 XR20

Re: PQ ref 43051/24 - Respite Hours provided to Disabled Adults in County Cavan and County Monaghan in 2020 todate

"To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the total number of respite hours provided to disabled adults in County Cavan and County Monaghan in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and to date in 2024, in tabular form." – P.Tully

Dear Deputy Tully,

I refer to your parliamentary question above which has been referred to me for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

HSE Community Services Cavan, Donegal, Leitrim, Monaghan, Sligo Disability Services provide residential respite for adults in terms of overnight stays in both Annalee Respite Centre, County Cavan and Steadfast Respite Centre, a HSE funded Section 39 service provider organisation, in County Monaghan. This year National HSE Disability Operations approved funding for Disability Services in the Cavan, Donegal, Leitrim, Monaghan, Sligo area to allow additional respite to be delivered by Steadfast House, increasing the amount of respite delivered from 840 nights to 1,500 nights per year. The additional respite nights became operational in September 2024.

The following table outlines the number of respite bed nights provided to disabled adults, for years 2020 to date in 2024 in counties Cavan and Monaghan.

Year	Annalee Respite Centre Co Cavan	Steadfast Respite Centre Co Monaghan	Total
2020	226	410	636
2021	452	700	1152
2022	1284	996	2280
2023	1277	874	2151
2024 year to date as at 05.11.2024	974	742	1716

Please note that:

• In 2020 and 2021 the provision of residential respite services was reduced due to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant public health measures applied.

• Time related savings allowed for some additional respite nights to be funded at Steadfast House.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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