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Sean Canney TD
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Re: PQ 43226/24

“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if he is aware that children who have transitioned from children disability services to adult services and are now travelling to St Joseph's Training Centre in Galway city and are living with their families in rural locations in Galway county do not have the bus transport in place, a service they are entitled to; if he will investigate same and rectify the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Dear Deputy Canney

I refer to PQ 43226/24 uploaded on the PAD System on the 17th October 2024 and due for response on the 6th November 2024 regarding representations that you have made to the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth regarding “if he is aware that children who have transitioned from children disability services to adult services and are now travelling to St Joseph's Training Centre in Galway city and are living with their families in rural locations in Galway county do not have the bus transport in place, a service they are entitled to; if he will investigate same and rectify the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter”. The HSE has been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following response outlines the position.

I have been in contact with our agency partner, Ability West, who have confirmed that in relation to St Joseph's Training Centre, resources have been secured allowing for the order of additional vehicles to be purchased and available for use as soon as possible.

I trust that this response has clarified the matter that you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely

Dr Aoife O'Donohue
General Manager
Disability Services