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Deputy Peadar Tóibín T.D.,  
Dail Éireann,  
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**Re: PQ 46764/24 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of long-term nursing home beds in the system for both private and public facilities in County Meath for each of the past ten years to date; if there are plans to create additional capacity with further investment in the public and private nursing home system; the current number waiting to access both public and private nursing homes in the county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Peadar Tóibín**

Dear Deputy Tóibín,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above representation. I have examined the matter and I outline the position below.

<b>Nursing Home Category</b>	<b>Number of beds</b>
Private Nursing Home Beds - Meath	1,203
HSE Community Nursing Unit (CNU) Beds - Meath	Beaufort House, Navan = 44 St. Josephs CNU, Trim = 50

Two HSE CNU's are currently registered with HIQA in Meath. The waiting list for Beaufort House is 64 and the waiting list for St Joseph's CNU is 52 and there are no plans currently to increase capacity or create additional space in either nursing home.

The HSE are unable to obtain information from private nursing homes with regard to their plans to create additional capacity or current numbers on their waiting list.

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 in a cursive style.

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