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Deputy Darren O'Rourke, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: PQ 46826/24 - To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to detail the respite services available to persons with neurological disabilities in County Meath – Darren O'Rourke

Dear Deputy O'Rourke,

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 outlined the position as follows.

Please see the list of current respite services available to persons in Co Meath.

| Adult Services | Service Provider | No of beds |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Na Driseoga, Navan | HSE (Moderate to Severe ID) | 6 beds -7 nights per week. |
| Clann Mor, Navan | Clann Mor (Mild ID) | 5 beds – 7 nights per week. |
| Bower House, Balbriggan | Talbot Group (Young adults with | 3 beds – shared with Louth – 7 |
| | ID, Challenging behaviors, ASD) | nights per week |

| Children's Services | Service Provider | No of beds |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| The Meadows, Navan | Rehab Care Group | 5 beds – 6 nights per week. |
| Outreach / Day Respite | Rehab Care Group | Non-residential respite outreach. |
| | | There are 35 hours available. |
| Castlewood House, | Talbot Group | 5 beds – 7 nights per week. |

Additional to the above services there is also an alternative respite model. The model involves host families being recruited and matched to support service users with respite in the community or the host family's home. This service is provided by Positive Futures in partnership with Meath Disability Services.

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,

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