



24th October 2024

Deputy Matt Shanahan
Dáil Eireann
Kildare Street
Dublin 2.

Re: 40794/24, 40795/24, 40796/24

To ask the Minister for Health:

The number of addiction detox beds allocated in Munster and Leinster, respectively; the location of each and any associated care providers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. (40794/24)
To provide the resourcing number of healthcare staff related to addiction detox bed units in Munster and Leinster, by each centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. (40795/24)
If he will itemise the budget resourcing provided through his Department to addiction detoxification; the average bed availability in Munster and Leinster, respectively over the past 12-months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. (40796/24)

Dear Deputy Shanahan,

The Health Service Executive have been requested to reply directly to your above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. As the requests are regarding a similar topic, they will be answered in one response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

Regarding, **'the number of addiction detox beds allocated in Munster and Leinster, respectively; the location of each and any associated care providers'**, and **'the average bed availability in Munster and Leinster, respectively over the past 12-months,'** detoxification beds are available at a national level; people seeking treatment have access to these services regardless of their geographical location. For the Deputy's information, a list of detoxification service locations is in the table 1, with county location provided. The number of beds in each location is outlined as at July 2023.

Regarding the request **'to provide the resourcing number of healthcare staff related to addiction detox bed units in Munster and Leinster, by each centre,'** and **'itemise the budget resourcing provided through his Department to addiction detoxification,'** the number of healthcare staff related to addiction detoxification is not available. However, the HSE has undertaken several Unit Cost Studies which incorporates fixed and variable costs. A current guideline rate of 'up-to' €1,500 is negotiated with service providers based on funding available. Note also that detoxification is usually a combined approach with either short stay or long stay residential care. For the deputy's information additional recurring funding of €242,500 was allocated to detoxification services in 2023 and a further €653,250 in 2024.

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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Table 1: Location of Tier 4 residential detoxification services and number of beds, as at July 2023

Service	Treatment type	No. of Beds
Aislinn Ballyragget Co. Kilkenny	Adolescent Residential Detoxification	4
Cuan Mhuire Coolraine, Co. Galway	Adult Residential Detoxification	20
Cuan Mhuire, Bruree Co. Limerick	Adult Residential Detoxification	30
Cuan Mhuire Fernanes Co. Cork	Adult Residential Detoxification	8
Aiseiri Cahir, Co. Tipperary	Adult Residential Detoxification	4
MQI St. Francis Farm, Tullow. Co. Carlow	Adult Residential Detoxification	8
Cuan Mhuire Athy (a) Alcohol Detoxification (b) Our Lady's Drug Unit Co. Kildare	Adult Residential Detoxification	32
Dublin Simon Detox, Co. Dublin	Adult Residential Detoxification	11
Coolmine Ashleigh House Co. Dublin	Adult Residential Detoxification	4
Coolmine Lodge, Co. Dublin	Adult Residential Detoxification	4
Peter McVerry Detox Co. Dublin	Adult Residential Detoxification	10
Beaumont, Co. Dublin	In-Patient Medical Detox and Stabilisation	8