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Deputy Richard Renouf  
Minister for Health and Social Services  
BY EMAIL

22nd March 2022

Dear Minister,

**Follow up Review: Assessment of Mental Health Services**

I refer to the Panel's letter dated 14th March 2022, which asked a number of questions in relation to the delivery of mental health services and governance, front-line services, estate and service locations and funding.

Further to this, the Panel has a number of additional questions that relate to the provision of off-Island mental health care commissioned by Health and Community Services (HCS). We should therefore be grateful if you could arrange to provide answers to the questions outlined below:

1. Please can you provide the total number of off-Island beds commissioned by HCS for Islanders with mental health issues, for each year since 2018?
  - a. Please can you provide the total cost for each year since 2018?
  - b. Please can you provide the average cost per bed?
  - c. Please can you confirm the average length of each placement?
2. Please can you provide the age range of Islanders with a mental health issue, that have been provided with an off-Island bed commissioned by HCS, since 2018?
  - a. Please can you provide a breakdown of the number of adults with a mental health issue that have been provided with an off-Island bed, for each year since 2018?
  - b. What proportion of these adults were elderly patients with mental health issues?
  - c. How many children and young people with mental health issues have been provided with an off-Island bed, for each year since 2018?
  - d. How many adult prisoners and young offenders with mental health issues have been provided with an off-Island bed, for each year since 2018?
3. Please can you explain the rationale for outsourcing mental health care off-Island?
  - a. Please can you describe the process of commissioning an off-Island bed for Islanders with a mental health issue?



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Thank you in advance for your assistance, we should be grateful if you could provide a response within 5 working days of this letter.

Please direct any response or queries to the Panel through our Committee and Panel Officer, Katherine de Carteret by email at [k.decarteret@gov.je](mailto:k.decarteret@gov.je) and / or our Research and Project Officer, Ben Walker by email at [b.walker2@gov.je](mailto:b.walker2@gov.je).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "M. Le Hegarat".

**Deputy Mary Le Hegarat**  
**Chair**  
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