

Written answers

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Department of Health
Magdalene Laundries



Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin (Cavan-Monaghan, Sinn Féin)

Question 632: To ask the Minister for Health and Children the amount of funding he has paid in each of the past five years to the four religious orders involved in the Magdalene Laundries (details supplied); the purpose of the funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. [9711/11]



James Reilly (Minister, Department of Health; Dublin North, Fine Gael)

My Department does not routinely fund voluntary organisations for services provided. Some of the organisations referred to by the Deputy are involved in the provision of health services, and are funded directly for such services by the Health Service Executive. Information in relation to this funding is not readily available. However I have asked the Health Service Executive to supply this information to me and I will forward it to the Deputy as soon as possible.

In addition, a discretionary National Lottery fund is administered by my Department and in 2010 the Good Shepherd Services in Cork received €1,500 towards training costs.

Does this answer the above question?

Yes! 0 people think so!

No! 0 people think not!