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Dear Tadhg

Re: Annual Fees

I refer to your communication dated 20 April last, on the subject of annual fees payable to HIQA by providers of designated centres.

Firstly, thank you for your kind wishes, and I hope that you, your family and everyone at Nursing Homes Ireland are also staying safe and well during the current pandemic.

In your letter you have made reference to the payment of annual fees, and you requested that HIQA defer the requirement for payment of such fees, for the fee period May to August 2020.

The obligation for registered providers to pay annual fees is set out in Regulation 8 of the Health Act 2007 (Registration of Designated Centres for Older People) Regulations 2015. The Health Act 2007 and its associated regulations are established by the government, and therefore it is not within the gift of HIQA, as regulator of such services, to defer or set aside those regulations.

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Any requests for the postponement or deferral of annual fees should be addressed to the Department of Health.

Yours sincerely,



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