



REGULATION

The first combined analysis of its kind by HIQA



children



disability



nursing homes



hospitals

Key findings

Regulation of specific aspects of care is beginning to sustainably improve services in all services regulated by HIQA

Some nursing homes, residential centres for people with disabilities, and foster care services must take stronger safeguarding measures



There are clear links between good governance of services and better outcomes for people using services

Ireland's health and social care services need clear national policy and for policy to be followed, and quicker decision-making, in order to support local initiative

People we spoke to said that the care they received was positive

Those who fund services need to take a greater role in holding those services to account

Inspections

735 inspection reports on residential centres for people with disabilities published

63 inspections of public acute hospitals

608 inspections of nursing homes



Dialogue

We talk to thousands of people using nursing home and disability services while we are out on inspection



239 patients in hospitals spoke to HIQA about nutrition and hydration

236 children met with HIQA during inspections



Ireland stands alone in its lack of regulation of a wide variety of social care services. We look forward to contributing to the development of new regulatory policy in these areas

looking forward



In 2017 It is expected that registration of residential care services for children will give our children's team powers of enforcement in this specific area of care