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**Ms Louise O'Reilly, T.D.,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.**

**PQ ref 21399/18 - To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the HSE has not committed to establishing a community intervention team in County Donegal in its Community Healthcare Operational Plan 2018; the reason this is the case; and when the county will have such a team.**

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The HSE is committed to the development and implementation of Community Intervention Teams as per its service plan and is developing this model of service delivery across CHO's on a phased basis as the HSE resource allocation allows.

In CHO 1, which covers counties Donegal, Sligo, Leitrim, Cavan and Monaghan, the initial implementation of a Community Intervention Team is to be in the Sligo area and this was a national decision. Work is currently underway in Sligo via a local project group in conjunction with National Primary Care Office on the establishment of the team. We expect this service to commence in early July of this year.

A Community Intervention Team for Co. Donegal is a priority for CHO 1 and we are linking with the National Primary Care Office to progress same. The development of this service will remain part of our Service Plan submission for 2019 and we are aware that the Nation Primary Care office is supportive of this submission for 2019 developments.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dermot".

**Dermot Monaghan,  
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