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Deputy Louise O'Reilly TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street
Dublin 2.

PQ Question **16577/19** To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE psychiatrists that deal with adult ADHD diagnosis -Louise O'Reilly

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Although there are currently no HSE psychiatrists providing specialist Adult ADHD services pending the implementation of the national clinical programme, there are a significant number of HSE psychiatrists that currently deal with Adult ADHD diagnosis as a part of a multiaxial diagnosis.

The national clinical program recommends national coverage, where there will be twelve sites. On the basis of population, ten will require a full-time psychiatrist and two half time psychiatrists. Hence 11 whole time equivalents (WTE) consultant general adult psychiatrists will be required. However, each will require a multidisciplinary team consisting of:

- 1 Consultant
- 1 Administrator
- 1 CNS MH
- 1 Psychologist
- 1 Occupational Therapist.

to provide the service recommended in the Model of Care.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sinead Reynolds'.

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