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Deputy Gerry Adams Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

RE PQ 17373/19: To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that CAMHS is not operating in Dundalk and that persons from north County Louth have to travel to Drogheda to avail of CAMHS services; his plans to deliver CAMHS in north County Louth; if provision for the service will be located at the Dundalk primary care centre; if so, when it will be operational; and his plans for an alternative location in Dundalk in the interim period.

Dear Deputy Adams,

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

CAMHS North Louth Team will not form part of the proposed services which will operate from the proposed Primary Care Building in Dundalk. Instead, Louth Meath Mental Health Services are in the final stages of a lease agreement on premises in Dundalk for the North Louth CAMHS Team.

This building should be completed and ready for commissioning in the last quarter of 2019.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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