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Mr. Eugene Murphy, TD Dail Eireann Leinster House Kildare St Dublin 2

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\* To ask the Minister for Health if a permanent Clinical Psychiatrist is now assigned to Roscommon Mental Health Services; if the services will now be returning to a position of locum Psychiatrists due to a recent transfer of senior staff within the services; and if he will make a statement on the matter.\*

Dear Deputy Murphy,

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;

A permanent Consultant Psychiatrist post is now attached to the mental health service in County Roscommon. The Clinician currently working in this role is due to move out of the area in the next number of weeks to pursue a career opportunity elsewhere. A panel was formed as part of the recruitment process to fill this position and it will now be offered to the remaining members of the panel for filling. In the interim a process is currently in place to recruit a locum Consultant to fill that position.

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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