



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte  
Health Service Executive

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13<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Mr. John McGuinness T.D  
Dail Eireann  
Leinster House  
Dublin 2

**PQ 49865/19**

**To ask the Minister for Health his plans to continue to fund the low-cost counselling service at a facility (Teach Bhride, Tullow, Co Carlow): if a grant of €9,280 for 2019 will be approved; and if he will make a statement on the matter).**

Dear Deputy McGuinness,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

*I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.*

I am advised that South East Community Healthcare does not currently provide funding to Teach Bhride in Tullow Co. Carlow. In addition, in 2019 there was no application for funding received from this organisation under the national lottery grant scheme (closing date was April 2019). The organisation may be in receipt of funding from another Government Department / Agency and therefore the question may need to be tabled with the appropriate Minister.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Killeen White".

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**Kate Killeen White**  
**Chief Officer**  
**South East Community Healthcare**