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Deputy Stephen S Donnelly
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
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PQ 4608/19 To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full year cost of completing the recruitment
Question: required for the full implementation of A Vision for Change -Stephen S. Donnelly

Dear Deputy Donnelly

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.

Adjusted for the most recent population data (April 2018), Mental Health services have a shortfall of 2,671 whole time equivalent staff across all services when compared to the staffing levels outlined under Vision for Change. The WTE for mental health services as of January 2019 is 9938. Taking an average salary across the main staff headings of Medical, Nursing, Support Staff, Allied Health Professionals and Administration this would lead to an additional full year cost of €189m. It should be noted that this amount does not include any additional accommodation costs which would arise due the expansion of Mental Health teams.

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

Yours sincerely,

Dr Sinead Reynolds
General Manager Mental Health Services