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Stephen Donnelly Dáil Eireann, Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the reduction in the social inclusion budget in CHO7 in 2019 -Stephen Donnelly

Dear Deputy Donnelly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

In the 2018 Operational Plan for Community Healthcare Dublin South, Kildare and West Wicklow, the Social Inclusion budget was €50,890,000.

In the 2019 Operational Plan for Community Healthcare Dublin South, Kildare and West Wicklow the Social Inclusion budget was €49,770,000. Funding in Social Inclusion is at times demand led, and comprise of once off funding allocations, the actual budget for Social Inclusion in June 2019 was €50,220,000.

It is expected that there will be additional funding allocation to Social Inclusion in the last quarter of 2019 which will align budgetary expenditure.

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

Yours sincerely,

Mary O'Kelly **Head of Service Primary Care**