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**To ask the Minister for Health the supports provided for children diagnosed with autism in Bray, County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - John Brady*

Dear Deputy Brady,

Thank you for your recent correspondence. The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Representation. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the current position.

The HSE can confirm that children diagnosed with Autism in Wicklow receive clinical supports and intervention with the Early Intervention/School Age Team [EI/SAT]. This comprises of Parent Training Programmes, group and individual therapy sessions through Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy, and outside agencies i.e. Middletown Autism.

The EI/SAT also provide in school supports for children attending Autism units attached to mainstream schools. The department of education offer educational supports through the S.E.S.S. and through their home tuition grants.

I trust that this information is of assistance to you but should you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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