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Deputy Tony McLoughlin, TD, Dail Eireann, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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PQ48472/19: To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider the lack of pump services available for adults with type 1 diabetes in Sligo University Hospital.

Dear Deputy McLoughlin,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Public Representation. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Response:

There are currently 43 adults awaiting Insulin pump therapy. Additionally there are 77 patients waiting for type 1 education programme with the longest wait time up to four years.

To run an adult insulin pump service, a Dietician and Clinical Nurse Specialist are required for the adult pump service which are currently not in place in SUH. These staffing requirements will be included in 2020 Service Plan Estimates in order to try and secure funding for same.

I trust that this addresses your query but feel free to contact my office if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Grainne McCann General Manager