



Cúram Sláinte  
Phobail, Iarthar  
ag freastal ar Ghailímh,  
Maigheo agus Ros Comáin

Community  
Healthcare West  
serving Galway, Mayo  
and Roscommon

Ceannasaí na Seirbhísí Bunchúraim  
Cúram Sláinte Phobail, Iarthar, Ceannteathrú N. Muire,  
Caisleán an Bharraigh, Co. Mhaigh Eo, F23 HP58.  
T: 094 9049064 / 094 9049069

Head of Primary Care Services  
Community Healthcare West, St. Mary's Headquarters,  
Castlebar, Co. Mayo, F23 HP58.  
Tel: 094 9049064 / 094 9049069

21<sup>st</sup> December 2020

Ms Roisin Shortall TD,  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

**PQ 44259/20**

**To ask the Minister for Health the reason a suitable location for a community alcohol treatment service has not been secured (details supplied); the way the allocated funding for the inoperative service is being used; if he has engaged with the HSE regarding resumption of this service; when he expects this service to recommence; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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

HSE Community Healthcare West wishes to state that a suitable premises in Galway has been identified for an Alcohol Treatment Centre. HSE Estates are currently in the final stages of negotiations with the landlord on agreeing terms of the lease. It is anticipated that this process will be completed by March 2021 at the latest. As soon as the lease is signed, staff already interviewed will be offered posts. It is anticipated that the service will be in a position to accept clients shortly after this.

The provision of this service is a top priority for Community Healthcare West and all efforts to ensure that it is up and running in the shortest possible time are being made.

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

Yours sincerely,

**Frank Murphy**  
Head of Primary Care  
Galway, Mayo and Roscommon