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RE: PQ 11047/20 "To ask the Minister for Health when the dialectical behaviour therapy programme in Tevere Day Hospital, Limerick will recommence"

Dear Deputy Cahill,

I refer to your recent query regarding the Dialectical Behaviour Therapy programme in Tevere Day Hospital.

I wish to advise that the Dialectical Behaviour Therapy Programme (DBT) in Limerick has been suspended due to Covid 19. Mid West Mental Health Services are currently devising a plan to stand up services across the region in the coming months. This plan will include the re-instatement of the DBT programme In Limerick. From speaking to a member of the DBT team, it was confirmed that no one has been on the waiting list for more than 2 years in Limerick. The DBT programme is run in conjunction to a client attending a Community Mental Health Team in the catchment area so a transfer to another CHO does not happen.

I trust this clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,

Niamh Wallace Head of Service Mid West Mental Health Services