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Deputy Padraig O'Sullivan Dail Eireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

"To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE has plans to recruit a Paediatric Gastroenterologist in the Cork area as currently no such service is provided"

Dear Deputy O'Sullivan

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

The appointment of a Consultant Paediatric Gastroenterologist would be a new service development; the hospital has no funding for this.

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

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Gerard O'Cailaghan .

Interim Chief Executive Officer