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10th March 2021 Deputy Jennifer Carroll MacNeill, Dail Eireann, Dublin 2.

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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the training being provided to psychiatric services in relation to ADHD in order that patients can access proper assessments, diagnosis and treatment, particularly as adults; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Jennifer Carroll MacNeill

Dear Deputy Carroll MacNeill,

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.

The ADHD in Adults National Clinical Programme's Model of Care was recently launched on the 14th January, 2021. When fully implemented, 11 Adult ADHD Clinics will be established to provide assessment and multimodal treatment in the CHOs in line with the Model of Care.

The Programme has provided a number of training days for the Adult ADHD team and for final year Specialist Registrars as well as other MDT staff through the UK Adult ADHD Network (UKAAN) and it plan to repeat this training at specific intervals.

To date specific training has been provided in:

- Assessment and Diagnosis of ADHD in Adults
- Pharmacological Treatment of Adults with ADHD
- Psychosocial Interventions for Adults with ADHD

Until additional funding has been provided and all local Adult ADHD Clinics established, the Adult Mental Health Teams (AMHTs) should assess people with possible ADHD and where appropriate prescribe ADHD specific medication. Current funding provides for 2.5 out of a total of 11 Adult ADHD Clinics to ensure national access.

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

Yours sincerely,







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