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10th March 2021 **Deputy Alan Dillon** Dail Eireann, Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health the progress of the recommendations reported by the national Question: taskforce on youth mental health in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Dillon,

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 HSE have continued to progress the recommendations contained in the Youth Mental Health Task Force Report since its launch in 2017. Over the three year lifetime of the report, HSE have prioritised youth mental health and have addressed most of the recommendations where HSE has assigned lead responsibility. HSE are now engaged implementing Sharing the Vision with the Department of Health and are committed to developing new youth mental health initiatives over the ten year lifetime of the policy. I attach an update on the recommendations.

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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