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**7th April 2021,
Deputy Richmond,
Dail Eireann,
Dublin 2.**

PQ

Number: 13913/21

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase funding for the treatment for eating disorders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Neale Richmond

Dear Deputy Richmond,

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.

In 2021, the HSE will invest €3.94 million in specialist Eating Disorder services and intend to progress the recruitment of eating disorder specialist posts. The HSE are committed to support the newly published model of Care and will continue to work with the DoH to deliver on the recommendations contained in Sharing the Vision where expanded services for those with eating disorders are advocated. Future funding is determined in advance between the DoH and HSE as part of the annual estimates process.

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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