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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 334 of 30

September 2021, the annual increases in the mental health expenditure separated by NSP development funding, COVID-19 related expenditure, pay restoration expenditure and any other relevant categories; and if he will make a statement on the matter -David

Cullinane

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

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.

Further to Parliamentary Question No. 334 of 30 September 2021, the table below outlines mental health expenditure separated by NSP development funding, COVID-19 related expenditure and pay restoration expenditure.

	2017 Spend €	2018 Spend €	2019 Spend €	2020 Spend €
Total Mental Health expenditure	860,370,692	912,803,030	985,920,420	1,063,669,406
Core expenditure	842,638,261	890,143,388	948,612,586	999,817,952
Covid expenditure coded into MH	0	0	0	21,236,141
Pay restoration/cost pressures (note 2)	17,732,431	22,659,642	37,307,834	42,615,313
New Developments (note 1)				
Total	860,370,692	912,803,030	985,920,420	1,063,669,406

Note 2

**Note 1:** Due to current finance system limitations we are unable to split out new development expenditure from "Core" Mental Health expenditure

Note 2: 2020 PCP's includes €14.9m consultant contract arrears payments, 2019 includes €11.2m.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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