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*To ask the Minister for Health the way the €8 million announced in Budget 2022 for the national ambulance service will be allocated; the sub-allocation to measures within this new measures grouping in tabular form; the amount remaining unallocated; the amount which relates to other new measures funding group commitments; if this is included as a whole or pro-rata; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - David Cullinane*

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) 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 refer to the Letter of Determination which issued from the Minister to the Chair of the HSE Board on 2<sup>nd</sup> November last and, in particular, to the funding of €8.232m (Full Year Cost €10.367m) to the NAS, to be provided for new service developments in 2022.

This investment will provide the opportunity to accelerate implementation of NAS Strategic Plan 2021-2026 delivering a system of integrated patient centred care and support transformation of the NAS in line with Sláintecare. Specifically, the funding will support the implementation of the following four initiatives (tabled below) related to urgent/critical priorities and areas of critical service risk.





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Initiative	WTEs	Allocation €0.00m
<b>Progress Implementation of NAS Baseline and Capacity Review</b> Continue to address Capacity deficit as identified by NAS Baseline and Capacity Review	49	1.23
<b>Address 24/7 Tactical and Operational Management deficits within NAS</b> Provision of effective leadership on a 24/7 basis at area level	42	3.82
<b>Continue the development of a Hear and Treat model</b> Supporting the reorientation of healthcare away from a 'hospital centric' model - Care Closer to Home	8	0.50
<b>Address Core Governance, Leadership and Structural Design</b> Commence the transition of NAS to an improved organisational and geographical model	29	2.68

Yours Sincerely,

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