

21st October, 2021

Deputy Brendan Griffin
Dáil Éireann
Kildare Street
Dublin 2.

PQ ref 48931/21

"To ask the Minister for Health if information regarding potential avenues of capital State funding from his Department will be provided to a service (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Details supplied: Recovery Haven Cancer Support Services, Tralee

Dear Deputy Griffin,

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.

Recovery Haven Cancer Support Services (based in Kerry) is a company limited by guarantee and is a registered charity. The organisation was established in 2009 and is run by a voluntary group of directors. It's core service is to provide counselling and cancer support services. It has expanded it's services to include services for children affected by cancer and have run a number of programmes in partnership with registered therapists.

The HSE granted HSE lottery funding to the organisation in 2011 (€1k) and 2012 (€500). In 2019 they received €1500 through HSE lottery funding.

In 2020, Recovery Haven received €55,000 from the HSE- €50,000 towards supporting a Fundraising Strategy and €5000 once off toward core costs. The group signed a Grant Aid Agreement for this amount and provided the HSE with a breakdown of costs and a report on the strategy and work developed.

The HSE has informed Recovery Haven that they can apply through the Section 39 funding application process if they wish to be considered for funding in 2021/22. The HSE has recently received their Section 39 application for funding and it is under consideration presently.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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