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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide multi-annual funding to non-statutory mental health service providers that deliver services in line with Sharing the Vision - Catherine Murphy

Dear Deputy Murphy,

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.

Multi-annual funding is about commitments, rather than large injections of finance. In practice, multi-annual funding involves a contract to fund an organisation, with a specified amount of funding over several years.

The current position in relation to HSE annual funding is that Government allocates current funding on a year-to-year basis, with no commitment for future years in the majority of cases.

Based on the current year on year funding position, National Mental Health Services are not in a position to provide multi-annual funding to non-statutory mental health service providers that deliver services in line with Sharing the Vision.

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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