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28th October 2021

Patrick Costello
Dail Eireann
Leinster House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

Re PQ ref 50993/21

Dear Deputy Costello,

I write in response to the below mentioned PQ and have given the response below.

PQ ref 50993/21

To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide funding to appoint a clinical psychologist to the diabetes multidisciplinary team in Tallaght Hospital.

Response

Tallaght University Hospital current has 0.3 WTE senior psychologist (10.5 Hours per week) allocated to the diabetes service. The Hospital has submitted a proposal as part of the 2022 service plan to seek additional resources for this service. We are working closely with our colleagues in community in relation to the development of diabetes services, as part of the Enhanced Integrated Care Programme, where additional multidisciplinary resources have been allocated.

Yours sincerely

**MR JOHN KELLY
DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**