

27th September 2021

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Re: PQ 46626/21 – Clinical psychologist, SVUH and WGH

“To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be provided to appoint a clinical psychologist to the diabetes multidisciplinary team in Wexford Hospital and St. Vincent’s Hospital in the near future; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Kehoe,

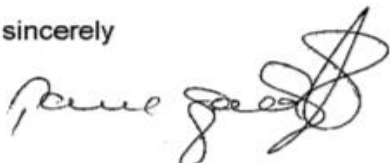
I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update if funding will be provided to appoint a clinical psychologist to the diabetes multidisciplinary team in Wexford General Hospital and St. Vincent’s University Hospital, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised that diabetes patients in St Vincent’s University Hospital may be referred to the hospital Liaison Psychiatrist. The merits of a dedicated Clinical Psychologist to Diabetes are well recognised and will form part of the strategy for the service.

Wexford general Hospital are not aware of any funding for such a post.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



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