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Deputy Ged Nash Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2

Re: PQ - 21528/22 - Resources that are provided for suicide prevention and the implementation of the national suicide prevention strategy connecting for life implementation plan in County Louth – Ged Nash

Dear Deputy Nash,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Representation, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outline the position as follows.

Louth Meath Mental Health Services have one whole time equivalent post for a suicide resource officer. White internal appeals processes have affected timelines with regard to the filling of this post, we can confirm that this post is currently progressing through our HSE recruitment department and is due for advertisement in the coming days.

The appointing of a suicide resource officer in Louth Meath is in line with the connecting for life implementation plan which we are committed to.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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