

Ceannasaí Náisiúnta Oibríochtaí Meabhairshláinte Ospidéal Naomh Lómáin, Baile Phámar Baile Átha Cliath 20.

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Deputy Mark Ward. Dail Eireann, Dublin 2.

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PQ Number: 8173/22

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of having fully staffed mental health teams in each CHO across the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter - Mark Ward

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

Please see tables below estimating the cost of having fully staffed mental health teams (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services, General Adult Mental Health Services and Psychiatry of Later Life) in each CHO area based on Vision for Change (2006) recommendations.

Please be advised that these are approximate costings based on average salary of €75,000. Figures have been rounded to nearest point.

CAMHS	Population 0-<18 years	Total staffing on the Team	VFC Total	Total VFC recommends	Total Gap	Total Gap Cost
National	1,190,502	762	61.50%	1,238	476	€35,700,000
CHO 1	103,778	77	72%	108	31	€2,325,000
CHO 2	111,880	73	63%	116	43	€3,225,000
СНО 3	96,266	62	62%	100	38	€2,850,000
CHO 4	168,542	113	64%	175	62	€4,650,000
CHO 5	131,522	63	46%	137	74	€5,550,000
СНО 6	116,264	70	58%	121	51	€3,825,000
СНО 7	144,296	97	64%	150	53	€3,975,000
СНО 8	172,373	115	64%	179	64	€4,800,000
СНО 9	145,581	91	60%	151	60	€4,500,000





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GAMHT	Total Population	Total staffing on the Team	VFC Total	Total VFC recommends	Total Gap	Total Gap Cost
National	4,761,865	1,767	80.60%	2,190	424	€31,800,000
CHO 1	394,333	194	107%	181	-13	-€975,000
CHO 2	453,109	196	94%	208	13	€975,000
СНО 3	384,998	138	78%	177	40	€3,000,000
CHO 4	690,575	240	75%	318	78	€5,850,000
CHO 5	510,333	180	77%	235	55	€4,125,000
СНО 6	424,772	126	64%	195	69	€5,175,000
CHO 7	666,111	250	81%	306	57	€4,275,000
CHO 8	616,229	215	76%	283	69	€5,175,000
CHO 9	621,405	230	80%	286	56	€4,200,000

POLL	Population >65 years	Total staffing on the Team	VFC Total	Total VFC recommends	Total Gap	Total Gap Cost
National	637,567	374	66%	571	197	€14,775,000
CHO 1	60,063	44	81%	54	10	€750,000
CHO 2	68,558	57	93%	61	4	€300,000
СНО 3	55,935	30	61%	50	20	€1,500,000
CHO 4	98,877	36	40%	89	53	€3,975,000
СНО 5	74,302	51	77%	67	15	€1,125,000
СНО 6	59,799	24	45%	54	30	€2,250,000
СНО 7	74,014	37	56%	66	29	€2,175,000
СНО 8	74,258	59	89%	66	8	€600,000
CHO 9	71,761	36	57%	64	28	€2,100,000

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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