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PQ 9334/22 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of adult psychiatrists employed by the HSE who treat people with ADHD in CHO9; the practices in which they are located; if there are plans to increase resources in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – **Denise Mitchell TD**

Dear Deputy Mitchell,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

I wish to advise all Consultants in our Community Mental Health Adult Services accept and treat people referred with ADHD who are known to have high rates of co-morbid mental health disorders, particularly anxiety and depression.

Our Community Mental Health Adult Teams are as follows:

- Cabra
- Blanchardstown East Teams 1 and 2
- Finglas Teams 1 and 2
- Ballymun
- Marino/Clontarf
- Marino/Tolka
- Mater
- Millmount
- North Strand
- Coolock
- Kilbarrack East
- Kilbarrack West
- Hampton Balbriggan
- Darndale
- Killester
- Swords
- Blanchardstown West Teams 1 and 2.

The total WTE of consultant adult psychiatrists currently in Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City and County is 22.5.

The assessment and treatment of ADHD in adults has been prioritised by HSE Mental Health, Clinical Design and Innovation and the College of Psychiatry of Ireland for development as a Clinical Programme due to the absence of such service in Ireland. The Executive Clinical Directors for Mental Health within CHO DNCC are engaging in discussions with the National Clinical Programme to seek an adult ADHD service for our CHO.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours sincerely,

Head of Service Mental Health CHO Dublin North City & County