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Deputy Róisín Shortall,
Dail Eireann,
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Kildare Street,
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PQ Number: 30997/22

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health if Delivering Specialist Mental Health Services report will be published this year given that the last report was in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Róisín Shortall

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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.

All the information that was contained in the Specialist Mental Health Report is contained in the performance publications detailed above. The Specialist Mental Health Report originated under the former Mental Health Division which has been subsumed into Integrated Community Operations. On the basis of the HSE's commitment to implementation of integrated care as part of Sláintecare and the fact that all Mental Health Performance data is publicly available, reports on individual care groups will not recommence as we move forward from the pandemic.

The HSE routinely publishes its Performance Reports on all services including on Mental Health Services. See link below:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/performance-reports/>

The HSE is fully committed to the implementation of Sláintecare and is increasingly working in an integrated fashion across Community and Acute services.



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The Sláintecare policy defines integrated care as follows¹:

“Integrated care is a response to the changing health profile of national populations, changes in health technology and organisation, and the inadequacy of current delivery models in responding to these shifts”.

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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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¹ Sláintecare Report. Section 3.3 Page 60.