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Deputy Pa Daly, Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health if he will include all north Kerry CAMHS families in the upcoming audit of north Kerry CAMHS cases as opposed to a sample of only 50; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Daly,

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.

As you are aware, a clinical review of a sample of client files from clients attending North Kerry Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services has been commissioned by the Chief Officer.

This audit has been commissioned in the context of recent publication of the Lookback Review Report into the South Kerry Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services in order to establish if similar issues are arising in North Kerry and to provide assurances to the Chief Officer and Executive Clinical Director on the current service being provided within this catchment area.

An audit of a 10% sample of randomly selected client files which are currently open to the CAMHS team in North Kerry and this equates to 50 client files. To ensure the integrity of the sample used, it is important to select the files randomly.

By way of update, we are currently in the process of identifying Clinicians to carry out this review. It is anticipated to commence once this process has been finalised.

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised.

Kind Regards,

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