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## PQ Number: 14695/22 PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the funding streams and core funding that are open for recovery colleges - 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.

Recovery Education is one of the key driver of the HSE Mental Health services approach to delivering a recovery orientated service as set out in our national policy 'Sharing the Vision'. The objective of Recovery Education is to increase opportunities for service users to achieve personal recovery outcomes. Recovery Education is delivered through a co-production approach between HSE Staff, Service users, family members, NGO partners.

Recovery Education Services / Colleges are now funded from the main stream HSE MH budget and the funding for Recovery Education is therefore sustained. An additional  $\leq 1.05$ M was secured for Recovery Education from PFG funding for 2022 bringing the total Recovery Education budget to approximately  $\leq 2.3$ M.

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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