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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the status of the HSE dual diagnosis programme;

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.

The draft Model of Care for the Dual Diagnosis National Clinical Programme has been submitted by the National Working Group for the approval process and is expected to be available for public access by the end of this year. With regards to the initial sites, the Consultant post for the initial site for a Dual Diagnosis Team in CHO-3 has already been advertised and the rest of the posts have been approved and expected to be advertised by the end of Quarter 3. The Consultant post for the second site in CHO-4 has been approved and expected to be advertised by the end of Quarter-3 and the rest of the posts before the end of Quarter 4. In addition, negotiations are ongoing to establish the initial Adolescent Dual Diagnosis Hub site in CHO-9.

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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