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**PQ Number: 216687/22**

**PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of expanding community mental health services in Budget 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Mark Ward**

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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 estimates process for 2023 has not yet commenced, therefore we are not in a position to respond to your Parliamentary Question at this time.

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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