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22nd September 2022

Re: PQ REF 42687/22 "To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the delay in securing a dialectical behavioural therapy team for the Midwest region"

Dear Deputy Crowe,

The Health Service Executive have collated a list of 303 staff in the Mental Health Service, Mid-West Community Healthcare, who are interested in engaging in the National DBT Training Program module 1 & 2. Training will commence in October 2022 with 180 staff will undergo the DBT Training with an additional 20 staff before years end. The additional number of staff will undergo the training in January and February.

In time we hope to succeed in having sufficient staff trained in the model to offer a comprehensive DBT service across the Mid-West

It is envisaged that we would have a DBT team in place in the Mid-West early next year. After that it will depend on the usual considerations of staff release & backfill for these jobs and number of referrals.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Nuala Kelly'.

Nuala Kelly
Head of Service,
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