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Deputy Carol Nolan
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
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Ref: PQ 45833/22

“To ask the Minister for Health if he will commit to providing an increase of €600,000 in annual investment in the National Multiple Sclerosis Care Centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Carol Nolan, TD

Dear Deputy Nolan,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response. I requested the Business Manager for Disability Services to examine the matter and the following outlines the position.

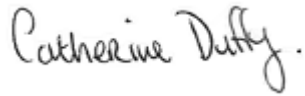
The National Service Plan (NSP) / Performance Delivery Plan (PDP) is the annual agreement between the Minister for Health and the Health Service Executive (HSE) which sets out the type and volume of health and social care services to be provided by the HSE in a given year. Service provision must be provided within the funding allocated during the course of the year and is based on the staffing that we are funded to provide. It also sets out the approach to address key Government and HSE policies, including Healthy Ireland, Sharing the Vision – A Mental Health Policy for Everyone, Connecting for Life – Ireland’s National Strategy to Reduce Suicide, New Directions and regulation of home support services.

HSE Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare has not received a business case requesting a funding increase of €600,000 in annual investment in the National Multiple Sclerosis Care Centre. Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare Disability Services is currently projecting a deficit for 2022. However, if a business case is submitted it will be reviewed.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Catherine Duffy." The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the "P.P" text.

Deborah Jacob

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