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Deputy Carol Nolan,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

**PQ 45834/22: To ask the Minister for Health if he will increase sustainable funding for national physiotherapy services for people with Multiple Sclerosis, and other neurological conditions totalling €880,000 per annum across all 9 Community Healthcare Organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

- Carol Nolan

Dear Deputy Nolan,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 45834/22), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Significant sustainable health care investment has been made as part of the Enhanced Community Care (ECC) programme, the purpose of which is to increase capacity in community health care services across all therapies and in doing so, reduce pressure on acute services. This ECC investment includes significant investment in both physiotherapy staffing and supporting equipment across all 9 Community Health Organisations (CHOs), with recruitment and investment on-going as physiotherapy capacity increases.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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