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Mr. Michael Collins, TD Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

## PQref 9351/23

"To ask the Minister for Health when a community neurorehabilitation team will be established within CHO4 to support the needs of people with neurological conditions (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Detail Supplied: such as stroke, acquired brain injury, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis and rare neurological conditions including motor neurone disease and Huntington's disease; A dedicated community neurorehabilitation team was recommended in the Implementation Framework for the National Neurorehabilitation Strategy (2019-2021) implementation of this strategy represents a key commitment in the current Programme for Government

Dear Deputy Collins,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Parlimentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for response.

Cork Kerry Community Health Care (CKCH) understand they will receive funding under National Service Plan 2023 to establish a Community Neuro Rehabilitation Team in the Cork and Kerry area.

However, we await further details on this such as numbers of staff, budget etc in order to include this welcome development in the Disability Services Cork Kerry Community Healthcare Operational Plan 2023.

This has been discussed by the Cork Kerry Community Healthcare management team and we have commenced planning for the funding. This will be in line with the implementation of the National Neuro-Rehabilitation Strategy and will be a welcome development for Cork and Kerry. We are in regular contact with the office of the Assistant National Director, Disability and Mental Health Services, Change Planning and Delivery regarding this development.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Majella Daly,

Head of Disability Services,

**Cork Kerry Community Healthcare** 

