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Deputy Cathal Crowe 4 Francis Street Ennis Co Clare V95 W9NP

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Re: PQ ref 9742/23 "To ask the Minister for Health the status of the appointment of a dialectical behavioural therapy team for the Midwest region; and if he will make a statement on the matter".

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.

There are 154 staff that have completed Module 1 and 2 and a further workshop will be available in October 2023. We are currently taking expressions of interest from those staff who wish to progress to Module 3 and 4. These latter two levels qualify staff to deliver the model.

As Module 1 and 2 consisted of a one day training session, Level 3 & 4 training will consist of 2 full week training where a DBT Team will need to be established. It is hopeful that Level 3 & 4 would be provided in Autumn 2023 but this will depend on the usual considerations of staff release & backfill for these jobs and number of referrals.

Yours sincerely,

Nuala Kelly Head of Service,

Mid-West Mental Health Service