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**Deputy Patricia Ryan** Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Dublin 2.

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PQ 30217/23 -To ask the Minister for Health to provide the locations of the 47 community specialist teams (60 in total) currently operating in each CHN/CHO, in tabular form; and the locations and projected dates of coming into operation of the remaining 13 teams.

Dear Deputy Ryan,

I refer to your parliamentary question, which was passed to the HSE for response.

In line with Sláintecare, the Enhanced Community Care Programme (ECC) objective is to deliver increased levels of health care with service delivery reoriented towards general practice, primary care and community-based services. The focus is on implementing an end-to-end care pathway that will care for people at home and over time prevent referrals and admissions to acute hospitals where it is safe and appropriate to do so, and enable a "home first" approach. The ECC Programme was allocated €240m for the establishment of 96 CHNs, 30 Community Specialist Teams for Older people, 30 Community Specialist Teams for Chronic Disease, national coverage for Community Intervention Teams and the development of a volunteer-type model in collaboration with Alone.

These Community Specialist Teams will service on average a population of 150,000, equating on average to 3 CHNs. Ideally the teams will be co-located together in 'hubs' located in or adjacent to Primary Care Centers reflecting a shift in focus away from the acute hospital towards General Practice, Primary Care & community-based service model. The services are fully aligned with the acute system with clinical governance being provided though the relevant model 4 or 3 Hospitals, but with the services being delivered in the community.

In response to your query regarding the location of the currently operational CSTs, Tables 1 and 2 below outline the locations of the operational teams for both ICPOP and ICPCD. There is a continued focus on bringing the remaining Community Specialist Teams online and it is anticipated that all of these teams will be operational by year end 2023.

I hope the above is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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**Table 1: Location of ICPOP Operational Teams** 

| СНО | CST | Location                                    |
|-----|-----|---|
| 1   | 1   | Donegal                                     |
|     | 2   | Cavan/Monaghan                              |
|     | 3   | Sligo/Leitrim                               |
| 2   | 4   | Galway                                      |
|     | 5   | East Galway, Tuam & Roscommon               |
|     | 6   | Mayo  |
| 3   | 7   | Limerick                                    |
|     | 8   | Clare/ North Tipperary                      |
| 4   | 9   | South Cork City, South & West Cork & Bantry |
|     | 10  | North City & Central Cork                   |
|     | 12  | Kerry                                       |
| 5   | 13  | Kilkenny & Carlow                           |
|     | 14  | Waterford                                   |
|     | 15  | South Tipperary                             |
| 6   | 17  | Dublin South East                           |
|     | 18  | South Dublin & Wicklow                      |
| 7   | 19  | South Dublin City                           |
|     | 20  | Lucan, Ballyfermot & Palmerstown            |
|     | 22  | Kildare/West Wicklow                        |
| 8   | 25  | Drogheda                                    |
| 9   | 27  | St. Mary's Phoenix Park/Ballymun            |
|     | 28  | Whitehall/Santry                            |
|     | 29  | Balbriggan, Skerries & Lusk                 |
|     | 30  | St. Mary's Phoenix Park/Corduff PCC         |



**Table 2: Location of ICPCD Operational Teams** 

| СНО | CST | Location                                    |
|-----|-----|---|
| 1   | 1   | Donegal                                     |
|     | 2   | Cavan/Monaghan                              |
|     | 3   | Sligo/Leitrim                               |
| 2   | 4   | Galway                                      |
|     | 5   | East Galway, Tuam & Roscommon               |
|     | 6   | Mayo  |
| 3   | 7   | Limerick                                    |
|     | 8   | Clare/ North Tipperary                      |
| 4   | 9   | South Cork City, South & West Cork & Bantry |
|     | 10  | North City & Central Cork                   |
|     | 11  | North & East Cork                           |
|     | 12  | Kerry                                       |
| 5   | 13  | Kilkenny & Carlow                           |
|     | 14  | Waterford                                   |
|     | 15  | South Tipperary                             |
|     | 16  | Wexford                                     |
| 6   | 17  | Dublin South East                           |
|     | 18  | South Dublin & Wicklow                      |
| 7   | 19  | South Dublin City                           |
|     | 21  | Tallaght, Rathfarnam, Clondalkin & Saggart  |
|     | 22  | Kildare/West Wicklow                        |
| 9   | 27  | St. Mary's Phoenix Park/Ballymun            |
|     | 28  | Whitehall/Santry                            |
|     | 29  | Balbriggan, Skerries & Lusk                 |
|     | 30  | St. Mary's Phoenix Park/Corduff PCC         |