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Deputy Collins,  
Dáil Éireann,  
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**PQ Ref 12308/23: To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full-year cost of running each of the sexual assault treatment units in 2022, in tabular form.**

Dear Deputy Collins,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

In 2019, the Department of Health published their *Policy Review of the National Sexual Assault Treatment Unit (SATU) Service*. The Department of Health released €0.55m in held-back funding to NWIHP in 2019 to implement the actions as set out in the policy review. This funding was primarily allocated by way of investment in new posts across the six SATUs in order to implement a blended, day-time staffing model with regular and protected access to senior clinical direction and expertise, Advanced Nurse Practitioners (ANPs), specialist Forensic Nurse Examiners (FNE's) and administrative supports.

A further €0.25m was allocated in 2022 to complete full implementation of the policy review, bringing the overall annual base funding of the service to 2.9m

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,

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