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Deputy Mark
Ward,
Dail Eireann,
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PQ Number: 51609/23

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health if reviews of adult ADHD clinical teams have been carried out; if teams will be allowed to expand in personnel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Mark Ward

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

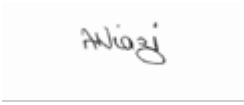
The role of the Clinical Lead for the Adult ADHD National Clinical Programme (NCP) includes providing oversight and support for all newly established services. This includes:

- Ensuring all new staff receive training in the assessment and treatment of ADHD.
- Meeting each service and each Mental Health Management Team on a regular basis.
- Being available to teams to advise on specific issues that may arise.
- Collecting monthly clinical activity data and other relevant data such as waiting times.
- Working with the UCD School of Psychology and ADHD Ireland in the evaluation of the NCP to guide its further development.

All relevant information is fed back to Dr Amir Niazi, National Clinical Advisor Mental Health, to inform and advise him on important issues requiring attention together with proposals for same. These for instance, prompted the application for additional staff for each team in the Budget 2024 submission and also the need to develop the Disability/Primary care component of the stepped care model recommended by the NCP

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



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