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Deputy Mark Ward, Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health for an update on accommodation for adult ADHD services in Kerry/Cork west; if the accommodation is up to standard; if new accommodation is being sought and for an update on this process; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Ward,

The Health Service Executive have been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted for the Minister for Health for a response.

In January 2022 National Funding was received from the Adult National Clinical Programme for one Adult ADHD team covering West Cork and Kerry.

The Adult ADHD Service is a specialist service within the mental health service in Kerry and covers all of Kerry and West Cork serving the 18+ population. The team is currently comprised of the following:

0.5 Admin, 1 WTE Consultant Psychiatrist, 1 WTE Senior Clinical Psychologist, 1 WTE Psychology Assistant, 0.5 Senior OT. A nurse is being actively recruited.

The team currently use clinical space in Caherina House, Tralee and also has use of 3 consultation rooms in Gateway Suites, Reeks Gateway, Killarney - 2 rooms are in use 5 days a week and the 3rd room is available 1 day a week.

Works have commenced on the refurbishment of rooms in Archview, Ballydribbeen, Killarney to provide a dedicated full-time base for the team. It is anticipated that these works will be completed by the end of June 2024.

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised.

Yours sincerely,

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