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**PQ Number: 30369/24**

**PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the cost of a crisis resolution team; and the WTE requirement, by grade. David Cullinane**

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Dear Deputy Cullinane,

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.

Under the HSE Corporate Plan 2020-2023, and in line with Recommendations 24 and 40 of Sharing the Vision: A Mental Health Policy for Everyone 2020, HSE Mental Health will develop, implement and evaluate a pilot model of Crisis Resolution Services; incorporating Crisis Resolution Teams and Cafes to offer an alternative response to inpatient admission, when appropriate. Crisis Resolution Services will form an integral part of the Service User Journey, working in tandem with existing services to provide an integrated 24/7 multi-agency mental health crisis de-escalating service.

For the purposes of implementing the pilot, the following considerations informed the budget allocation required for each pilot site:

- The WTE requirement to support a population catchment of 100,000-120,000
- The staffing mix recommended for a multidisciplinary Crisis Resolution Team working to core hours
- Existing resources available within each pilot site (capital and staffing)

The Model of Care for Crisis Resolution Services outlines the following as the minimum requirement of a Crisis Resolution Team.

- 1 Adult Consultant Psychiatrist
- 1 Senior Registrar
- 1 Clinical Nurse Manager
- 3 Clinical Nurse Specialist
- 1 Senior Clinical Psychologist



- 1 Senior Social Worker
- 1 Senior Occupational Therapist
- 1 Admin Grade IV

The total staffing cost for the core team of 10 WTEs is €1.256m

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a grey rectangular background. The signature reads 'Michelle Butler' in a cursive script.

**National Mental Health Services**