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PQ 19039/25: To ask the Minister for Health for a comprehensive and detailed update in addressing the lack of anorexia beds for the midwest only; the timeline for when an eating disorder team will be put in place; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy McGettigan

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above representation, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The Minister for Mental Health, Mary Butler announced an Eating Disorder Team for the HSE Mid West which is being funded under Budget 2025. The commencement of the team in the Mid West is part of the nationwide rollout of the HSE's National Clinical Programme on Eating Disorders.

The Following posts have been approved for the team

Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist	1 WTE
Senior Dietician	1 WTE
Senior Clinical Psychologist	1 WTE
Clinical Nurse Specialist	1 WTE
Senior Social Worker	1 WTE
Administration (Grade IV)	1 WTE
Advanced Nurse Practitioner	1 WTE



We have established a working group and are engaging with the National Clinical Programme around the development of this specialist team in the Mid West. We received primary notifications in the first week of May 2025, and we are commencing recruitment of the staff for this team.

Yours Sincerely,

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