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Deputy Liam Quaide, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health the locations within County Cork where attention deficit hyperactivity teams are based."

Dear Deputy Quaide,

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Adult ADHD Services

Adult Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) services in Cork are provided through the Cork Adult ADHD Tertiary Care Hub (CATCH) service, a specialist team based at Ballincollig Primary Care Centre. This service covers the South Lee, North Lee, and North Cork catchment areas.

Referrals to the CATCH service are made through the Community Mental Health Teams (CMHTs), who first conduct a preliminary assessment. If the individual meets the criteria for specialist care, they are referred onward to the CATCH team. Those who do not meet the threshold for specialist intervention continue to receive care and treatment through their local CMHT.

For individuals in West Cork, ADHD services are delivered via outreach from the Kerry service.

CAMHS ADHD Services

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) provides mental health services to individuals under the age of 18 who present with moderate to severe mental health disorders requiring multidisciplinary input. While there are no dedicated CAMHS ADHD clinics in Cork, each CAMHS team is equipped to assess and treat ADHD as part of their broader service offering.

The CAMHS teams and their locations are as follows:

- South Lee 1 & South Lee 2 Blackrock Hall Primary Care Centre, Blackrock Avenue, Skehard Road, Cork
- South Lee 3 Fastnet House, Cork Business & Technology Park, Model Farm Road, Cork
- North Lee East & North Lee West– City General Hospital, Infirmary Road, Cork City
- North Lee North Unit 9, St Stephen's, Sarsfieldscourt, Co Cork
- West Cork Clonakilty Hospital Grounds, Scartagh, Clonakilty, Co Cork
- West Cork St Mary's Road, Dunmanway, Cork
- North Cork Mallow Primary Healthcare Centre, Gouldshill, Mallow, Co Cork

A dedicated **ADHD team (SNAP Team)** has been developed to address those waiting longest for access to CAMHS ADHD supports across Cork and Kerry. This team accepts referrals from community CAMHS teams for young people waiting longest for access to ADHD supports. Since its introduction in November 2023, 216 young people have been taken off the waiting list by this team.



I trust the above clarifies the queries raised. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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