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To ask the Minister for Health if she and the Minister of State with responsibility for mental health will work together to advance the application for a Jigsaw youth mental health service in Waterford, given that the south-east is the only region not currently served by such a facility; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy McGuinness

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health and Minister for State for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

Community based youth services across Waterford receive support and funding from the HSE via service level arrangements. The service level arrangement with Jigsaw throughout the country is managed at national level. A multi-agency application for a Jigsaw Project in Waterford was submitted to National Office Mental Health Services in October 2022 and resubmitted again in November 2023. It was understood there was no development funding available for this proposed initiative for 2024.

IHA Waterford Wexford Mental Health Services would be supportive of having a Jigsaw service available should national funding allocation become available in the future. An application for 2025 funding could be made to the National Office for Mental Health for consideration. We are willing to assist with any further scoping exercise for a Jigsaw service in the area, as and when requested.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Service - Mental Health Services