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**Deputy William Aird** Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2

## Re PQ 1800/25

To ask the Minister for Health the progress achieved in 2024 in the recruitment of additional personnel for CAMHS teams in County Laois.

William Aird

Dear Deputy Aird,

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 outlined the position as follows.

I advise that in 2024 we successfully recruited one new medical registrar to the Laois Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service (Laois CAMHS).

Approval was also given for four additional nursing posts, one occupational therapy post and one social care worker, however due to ongoing recruitment difficulties we have been unable to progress same.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Donnelly General Manager,

Midlands Mental Health Services,

Midlands Louth Meath Community Healthcare Organisation (CHO)