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"To ask the Minister for Health if she plans or if proposals are being actively considered for the development of a community access support team in the County Louth area, similar to that which has been developed in Limerick; and if she will make a statement on the matter".

- Joanna Byrne

Dear Deputy Byrne,

Yours sincerely,

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.

The Community Access Support Team' (CAST) is a national pilot initiative aimed at assisting people who are experiencing situational trauma or a mental health crisis which was launched in Limerick city in 2024. LMMHS would be very interested and open to being part of a similar initiative should this pilot be extended to County Louth.

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

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