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Dail Eireann,
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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of perinatal mental health teams in Ireland. -Sorca Clarke

Dear Deputy Clarke,

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 the following outlines the position.

Specialist Perinatal Mental Health Services have been developed in line with the *Model of Care for Specialist Perinatal Mental Health Services*. This model provides for six hub specialist teams, each linked with a number of spoke sites to ensure access across the regions. The hubs are based in maternity hospitals, supported by multidisciplinary teams, and provide care in collaboration with linked spoke maternity units. In line with this Model of Care, the development of a specialist Mother and Baby Unit (MBU) on the campus of St Vincent's University Hospital is being progressed.

The current configuration is outlined in the table below:

| Hub site | Spoke sites |
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| National Maternity Hospital | Mullingar, Wexford, Kilkenny |
| Cork University Maternity Hospital | South Tipperary, Kerry, Waterford |
| Rotunda Hospital | Cavan, OLOL Drogheda |
| University Maternity Hospital Limerick | |
| Galway University Hospital | Letterkenny, Portlinculla, Mayo, Sligo |
| The Coombe | Portlaoise |

In total, there are six hub sites and thirteen spoke sites providing Specialist Perinatal Mental Health Services nationally.

I trust this information is of assistance to you

Yours Sincerely,



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