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Deputy Aidan Farrelly, Dail Eireann, Dublin 2.

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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the full-year capital and current funding required for an

additional national dual diagnosis rehabilitation centre -Aidan Farrelly

Dear Deputy Farrelly,

The Model of Care for Dual Diagnosis was launched in May 2023. The Model of Care recommends 12 Adult dual diagnosis teams and 4 hub Adolescent dual diagnosis teams across the country. Each of these teams have been recommended in the Model of Care to have a staff allocation of 13 whole time equivalents (WTEs). In addition to the Adolescent dual diagnosis hub teams, there will be around four spoke Adolescent Dual Diagnosis teams supporting the adolescent services.

Furthermore, the Model of Care has recommended the establishment of a HSE National Dual Diagnosis Rehabilitation Centre. The Dual Diagnosis National Clinical Programme are in ongoing discussions with the HSE Addiction Services in HSE North Dublin to enhance the existing Keltoi centre in North Dublin, to develop it in to a HSE National Dual Diagnosis Rehabilitation Centre, with the support of the Department of Health.

In the above scenario, it is expected that there will be sharing of resources, including WTEs and operational costs (between the HSE Addiction Services and the Dual Diagnosis National Clinical Programme). When the Keltoi service is enhanced, with the sharing of resources, the initial funding required for recruiting a full time (24 hours) service is estimated to be around €1.998 million for 21 WTEs.

It should be noted these pay costings are based on mid-point salary scale for each of the grades and is inclusive of employers' PRSI. The non-pay element will include cost of maintaining the building, utilities, IT supplies, training, travel, security etc. The non-pay element will be dependent on sharing with the local resources and other related determinants at the time of implementation. Hence, at present it is not possible to provide non-pay costings for the full implementation of the HSE National Dual Diagnosis Rehabilitation Team.



Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you require any additional information.
Yours sincerely,
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