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Deputy Mark Wall, TD Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

RE: PQ 34361/25

To ask the Minister for Health if the clinical lead of the gender healthcare programme is engaged in clinical work at the National Gender Service; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Wall,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in relation to the above parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have consulted with the National Clinical Advisor and Group Lead for Children and Young People (NCAGL C&YP) and the Gender Healthcare Programme on your question and have been informed that the following outlines the position.

Clinical Leads of national clinical programmes (NCPs), who are registered medical practitioners, maintain professional competence by participating in continuous professional development (CPD), including clinical practice. This includes the Clinical Lead for the Gender Healthcare Programme.

The HSE's Gender Healthcare Programme is committed to building a gender healthcare service in Ireland based on experience and clinical evidence, respect, inclusiveness and compassion.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely	
Anne Horgan	
General Manager	