



**31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

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**PQ 13090/25** *“To ask the Minister for Health the funding her Department can offer to support Skerries Youth Support Services; and if she will make a statement on the matter”* **Grace Boland TD**

Dear Deputy Boland,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

I wish to advise that Mental Health Services Dublin North County and Dublin North City & West are not currently resourced to fund community youth counselling services. Funding for youth counselling may be supported by application via National Lottery Grant, TUSLA or for priority group service through Primary Care Social Inclusion. General details on the National Lottery Grant Scheme can be found at the following link <https://www2.hse.ie/services/national-lottery-grants/national-lottery-grants.html>

Mental Health Services Dublin North County and Dublin North City & West have made a once-off payment of €5,000 to Skerries Youth Services in March 2025 to provide additional supports following a suicide in the community.

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

Yours sincerely,

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