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Deputy Danny Healy Rae, Main St, Kilgarvan, Co. Kerry

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"To ask the Minister for Health if the need for a paediatric neurologist for University Hospital Kerry will be reviewed (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Healy Rae,

HSE South West 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.

We are in the process of appointing a Paediatric Clinical Lead whose role will include the development of specific paediatric services within University Hospital Kerry.

Paediatric Neurology may be one of the specialities considered under this remit depending on location need and service capacity. This initiative including the potential for paediatric neurology will be reflected in the Kerry frontline services plan.

I trust this response is to your satisfaction; should you have any further queries however, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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