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Rose Conway-Walsh TD Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

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* To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the provision of an eating disorder team for Mayo*

Dear Deputy Conway-Walsh,

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;

Mayo Mental Health Service does not have a dedicated Adult Eating Disorder Team. Adults with eating disorders are seen by the General Adult Community Mental Teams. They are offered assessment and treatment in the community and inpatient care when required. They have access to nursing and medical care, dietetics, psychological interventions, Cognitive Behaviour Therapy and other interventions as required e.g. Social Work, Occupational Therapy.

Community Mental Health Teams work closely with the person's GP in the community and with medical teams in the inpatient setting to ensure optimum management of any physical health complications.

The regional CAMHS Eating Disorder Service (CEDS) was established in 2022 providing service to Galway, Mayo and Roscommon youths on referral from the established CAMHS Community Mental Health Teams including the South Mayo and North Mayo CAMHS CMH teams.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Charlie Meehan Head of Mental Health Services Community Healthcare West