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Deputy Sorca Clarke.
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
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PQ Number: 26846/25

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost to increase funding for Recovery Education by 10% and if she will make a statement on the matter- Sorca Clarke

Dear Deputy Clarke,

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.

Recovery Education is a key driver of a recovery-oriented service as set out in our national policy 'Sharing the Vision' and is one of the strategic priorities in the Office of Mental Health Engagement and Recovery's (MHOR) strategic plan 2023-2026. Recovery Education seeks to build the recovery capacity and competency of all stakeholders utilizing the lived experience of Service users, Family members, Carers and supporters in co-production with the clinical and professional expertise of mental health professionals.

Recommendation 29 of 'Sharing the Vision' specifically focuses on building the recovery competency of mental health staff. HSE Mental Health Operations have a recovery education budget since 2017 to directly support the development of recovery education across the Regional Health Areas. This increased to €2.476M by 2023. In PFG 2024 and 2025 an additional four Recovery Coordinators have been funded to support Recovery orientation in services. 50% of the Coordinators time is spent directly on Recovery Education bringing the total funding invested in Recovery education to €2.625M. A further increase of 10% in this budget would cost €262,500 bringing total spend to €2, 887, 500.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours Sincerely,

Michael Ryan
General Manager
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