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Deputy Paul Murphy, TD Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

RE: PQ 27006/25

To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1444 of 22 January 2025, for an update statement on the matter on when the HSE is expected to complete its current review of the Cass review; and if she will make a

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To ask the Minister for Health if she is aware of a recently published peer-reviewed Irish-led international research on the Cass review (details supplied); and if she will commit to the HSE's review of the Cass review giving full consideration to this research.; and if she will make a statement on the matter

Details - Noone, C., Southgate, A., Ashman, A. et al. Critically appraising the cass report: methodological flaws and unsupported claims. BMC Med Res Methodol 25, 128 (2025) https://doi.org/10.1186/s12874-025-02581-7

Dear Deputy Murphy,

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) on your question and have been informed that the following outlines the position.

A Memorandum on the Independent Review of Gender Identity Services for Children and Young People (the Cass Review) has been completed by an expert clinical group within the HSE and is currently with the CCO for consideration.

We are 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.

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General Manager

Yours sincerely