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Deputy Clarke, Dail Eireann, Dublin 2.

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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health provide a breakdown of the funding allocated to early intervention psychosis services over the past five years, in tabular form; 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.

The HSE National Clinical Programme for Early Intervention in Psychosis is a joint initiative between the HSE and the College of Psychiatrists of Ireland, with the Model of Care launched on 12th June 2019. Each year in Ireland an estimated 1,500 people develop a psychotic disorder for the first time. National Implementation of this clinical programme will require the development of approximately 25 EIP services in Ireland in line with Sharing the Vision recommendation 52.

There are 5 EIP Teams in place across the HSE. All are at various stages of development and resourcing when compared with the HSE EIP Model of Care. The 5 EIP teams are RISE, South Lee & EIST North Lee CHO4 (2 teams), Sligo/ Leitrim/ South Donegal CHO 1, DETECT- Dublin, North Wicklow CHO 6, Meath CHO8. 3 additional adult teams have received funding in 2025 and are in the early stages of recruitment, they will serve, North Dublin, Tallaght/Ballyfermot and Mid-West. A small team (3.5WTEs) has been funded to establish a service for CAMHS based in South Dublin with funding from the Women's Health Taskforce.

The EIP NCP has received €4.9 million in funding to support implementation from 2015 until December 2024. We were delighted to receive an additional €2.8 million in 2025.

EIP Funding 2015- 2025 (all funding is recurring)

Early Intervention in Psychosis	Full Budget €
PFG 2015	1,370,007
PFG 2016	-
PFG 2017	401,418
PFG 2018	-
PFG 2019	439,742
PFG 2020	-
PFG 2021	483,939
PFG 2022	994,272
Women's Health Fund	171,150
PFG 2023	-
PFG 2024	933k
Social Inclusion	157k
Total 2024	€4.950,528
PFG 2025	€2.8m
TOTAL 2025	€7,750,528

PFG - Programme for Government

In addition to advocating for multiannual funding to support the rollout of the EIP programme nationally via the Mental Health Budget New Development Funding, we applied to other funding streams to expand teams and enhance quality of care. €157,000 funding was allocated from the Social Inclusion budget to recruit 3 additional Addiction Outreach workers based in EIP teams in 2025- Tallaght, North Dublin and Cork (South Lee)

We require a minimum of 3 additional teams each year (€4.8M) to achieve national EIP roll out in line with National Policy- Sharing the Vision.

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

Yours sincerely,

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