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Mr Matt Carthy T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Re: PQ ref 48073/25: To ask the Minister for Children; Disability and Equality the status and timeframe for the delivery of a single point of access for families to enter into appropriate services for therapies that is, CDNT, primary care, CAMHS and so on, in County Cavan; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Carthy,

I refer to your parliamentary questions above which have been referred to me for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

A National Single Point of Access (SPoA) Implementation Group was established in August 2025, chaired by Grace Rothwell, National Director, Access & Integration at the request of the CEO, to provide oversight of the implementation of SPoA project within each Regional Health Area (RHA) / Integrated Health Area (IHA) for Children's Community Services.

Six RHA engagement events are being held between 12th of September and 3rd of October with key stakeholders involved in the delivery of Children's Services including CDNT, CAMHS, Primary Care, family representatives, funded agencies and wider stakeholders. Following the engagement events, each RHA will draft an SPoA plan and implementation of SPoA will commence on a planned, phased basis from October 2025.

The development of a streamlined central referral business process for Children & Young People in each IHA area within the Dublin North East (DNE) Region is a key strategic action in 2025. The DNE project has drawn on the existing and emerging learnings from the Central Referral Office (CRO) project, currently ongoing within the region in the Dublin North County (DNC) and Dublin North City and West (DNCW) IHAs. Currently there is a working group in place with Cavan Monaghan stakeholders from across the care groups. and have completed the preliminary mapping of the current referral processes. Following the engagement event on the 3rd of October and the feedback from the wider service users and staff, the design and implementation phases of SPoA will commence in DNE

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.



Yours sincerely,

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