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\* To ask the Minister for Health if he will offer additional funding to the Aiséirí Centre in County Wexford and in particular the Aislinn service which is the only residential adolescent detoxification and rehabilitation service here; his views on the importance of this service being vital in tackling addiction for young persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy O'Sullivan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to your 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 has met and is currently working with Aiseiri to review the model of service provided and associated cost.

A Unit Cost Study which was previous carried out in 2015 will be updated in quarter 1 2017. This will reflect current client costs in accessing services (including Under 18's) and the costs of delivering services. Residential detoxification is a important part of treatment. Currently treatment for 15 to 21 year olds is provided nationally in the Aislinn Centre, Ballyraggett, Co. Kilkenny. Both Cuan Dara and St Michaels Ward in Beaumont will take referrals for detox of individuals aged 18 -21 yrs. There is also facility for individuals aged 17 yrs and under to be admitted to one of these units under the care of one of the Child and Adolescent Substance Misuse Psychiatrists working in the HSE for particularly complex cases.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Doyle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J".

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Joseph Doyle  
National Planning Specialist