



19th March, 2020

Deputy Frankie Feighan TD
Dáil Eireann
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PQ: 4664/20

To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of increasing the number of medical detoxification and rehabilitation beds by 20; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Feighan,

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:

According to a unit cost analysis conducted in 2017, costs per treatment episode are in the region of:

- Medical Detoxification Unit: €13,000
- Community Based Residential Detoxification: €5,000 (stabilisation episodes are included in this calculation)
- Adolescent Community Based Residential Detoxification: €16,000

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

Yours sincerely,

Joseph Doyle
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