

An Oifig Náisiúnta don Chuimsiú Sóisialta Rannóg Cúram Príomhúil Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte Lána an Mhuilinn Baile Phámar Baile Átha Cliath 20

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\* To ask the Minister for Health the status of the review of existing service arrangements with section 39 service providers to ensure a stronger focus on addressing the health needs of homeless persons including the development of targets, outcomes, quality standards, enhanced monitoring and evaluation.

Dear Deputy Kelleher,

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:

All Service Level Agreements and Grant Aid agreements have been signed off for 2017. The HSE National Social Inclusion Office are currently working with Dublin Region Homeless Executive to ensure that the draft homeless quality standards are aligned with the HIQA National Standards for Safer Better Healthcare, as adopted for addiction services.

Health outcomes evaluation processes and strategies including key areas identified by the deputy, will be reviewed and developed with each Service Provider as part of an annual review process.

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

Yours sincerely,

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