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Deputy Mary Lou McDonald, Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

PQ ref: 23106/20 - To ask the Minister for Health the new resources being provided to ensure that Traveller primary healthcare projects return to work safely business plans can be implemented

- Mary Lou McDonald."

Dear Deputy McDonald,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

There has been, and continues to be, significant engagement both at National and Local Community Healthcare Organisation Level with relevant stakeholders associated with traveller health to ensure return to work safely plans are progressed and implemented.

With regard to new resources provided, there is no specific reported figure on this however, Traveller Healthcare Projects continues to be a priority focus within the community and work continues at local CHO level, support by national structures, to ensure these projects are progressed.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Siobhán McArdle,

Head of Operations Primary Care, Community Operations