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PQ ref 4639/24: To ask the Minister for Health if he has any future plans for a CAMHS Hub in County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Ms Wynne,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above representation, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

CAMHS CHO 3 (Limerick, Clare and North Tipperary) are one of the pilot sites for provision of a CAMHS Hub Model. CAMHS Hub will support Community CAMHS Teams by providing an enhanced level of brief intervention mental health support for children and young people aged up to 18 years experiencing an acute mental health crisis, where it is determined the needs of the child or young person require a rapid response, time-bound intensive brief intervention.

The Staff for the CAMHS Hub have been recruited as follows:

- Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist - Position offered and declined. New Recruitment campaign required.
- Advanced Nurse Practitioner (Mental Health) - Vacant. Will need to be progressed when recruitment controls allow.
- Social Worker, Senior Medical -Recruited
- Occupational Therapist, Senior – Recruited
- Grade IV – Recruited

We recently held interviews for a consultant for the CAMHS Hub however, unfortunately the successful candidate has declined the offer. The post will now be re advertised. This will impact on the timeline for establishing the hub.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Nuala Kelly'.

Nuala Kelly
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