



**Oifig an Stiúrthóir Cúnta Náisiúnta,**  
Foireann Míchumais Náisiúnta,  
An Chéad Urlár - Oifigí 13, 14, 15,  
Áras Phlásóg na Rós, Coimpléasc Gnó na hOllscoile,  
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Dear Deputy Kerrane,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following parliamentary question, which was submitted to this department for response.

**PQ: 19680/24**

*To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth what the new restructuring for regional health areas will mean for children's disability network teams; and if he will make a statement on the matter.*

**HSE Response**

91 Children's Disability Network Teams (CDNTs) are aligned to 96 Community Healthcare Networks (CHNs) across the country and are providing services and supports for children aged from birth to 18 years of age.

The CDNTs are currently providing services and supports for 45,741 children and strategies and supports for urgent cases on the waitlist where staffing resources allow.

The Health Service is reorganising to six Health Regions known as Regional Health Areas (RHAs). These Health Regions are an important part of putting Sláintecare into action.

The new HSE health regions will plan and provide public health and social care services for the people in that region.

The roll out of the Health Regions commenced on 1st March 2024 as the Regional Executive Officers (REOs) have taken up post in March. The CHO and Hospital Groups will transition into new Health Region structures by September 2024.



There will be multiple phases as the Health Service transitions to full Health Region Implementation.

Under the new Health Regions, the CDNTs are aligned to the Community Healthcare Networks in each region. There are a few small anomalies which are in the Roadmap for those specific CHO/RHAs to address.

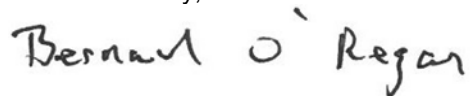
To assist, I also provide information/ slides update for staff and management in partner agencies. The HSE invites those partner agencies to share onward through a cascade of service managers and colleagues.

The slide presentation was prepared to support discussions about the Health Region reforms in team meetings. The slides give a general overview of the Health Regions and an update on implementation.

The HSE has also provided useful information online at [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie) and at

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/health-regions/>.

Yours Sincerely,



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