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Deputy Fergus O'Dowd, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: PQ 35181/24 To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if he will secure funding in 2024 and 2025 to set up a community neuro-rehabilitation team in the CHO8 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outlined the position as follows.

As advised previously, there are two CHOs nominated and designated funding has been allocated to CHO6 & CHO7 as they work closely with National Rehabilitation Hospital (NRH).

Under the National Service Plan 2024, funding of 1.4m has been allocated to CHO6 & CHO7 for 2024 and €2.8m in a full year 2025 for the development managed clinical network teams in line with the Neuro-Rehabilitation Implementation Framework.

Currently CHO8 is not funded for a community neuro-rehabilitation team and therefore if we were to set up a community neuro-rehabilitation team this funding would need to be provided.

At present I wish to reaffirm that CHO8 is not one of the CHO's nominated with funding for such a team.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely

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