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Deputy Pádraig Mac Lochlainn,  
Dáil Éireann  
Leinster House  
Dublin 2.

**PQ 36049/24** To ask the Minister for Health to outline, in relation to the amyloidosis model of care submitted in August 2020 and approved in October 2022, the areas identified in the model of care that required funding in order to progress to implementation; and the reason the application for the new service development submission did not secure funding.

**PQ 36050/24** To ask the Minister for Health if, in relation to the amyloidosis model of care submitted in August 2020 and approved in October 2022, preparations are underway to reapply for the new service development submission that did not secure funding; if so, when the application will be submitted; and if it is realisable or acceptable for the national clinical advisor and group lead and assessment officer to attempt to implement the key areas nationally in the absence of funding.

Dear Deputy Mac Lochlainn

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

**Response:**

The Model of Care was approved in 2022 as outlined and since then there has been progress with the approval of pharmacological treatments included in this model of care where relevant through the medicines management approvals process.

When a model of care is approved it is then progressed to implementation operationally. There were a number of areas identified in the model of care that required funding in order to progress to implementation. Funding was sought to support phased implementation of this model through the HSE's national service planning process with the Department of Health in 2023. Unfortunately, this new service development submission did not secure funding. This submission would have been part of a number of submissions for funding for new service developments and final allocations for such developments would have been outlined in the Letter of Determination from the Minister of Health to the HSE.



You will be aware that there are changes at the HSE corporate center and also nationally with the establishment of the six Health Regions and the appointment of the six Regional Executive Officers (REOs). Future funding decisions will be their responsibility in line with the Pay and Numbers Strategy.

Areas of the model have been addressed since it was published such as the reimbursement of certain medications. Further consideration can be given to other areas in the absence of funding, however such an assessment will take some time and will involve stakeholder engagement which has started

I trust that this answers your question.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Emma Benton', is positioned below the text 'Yours sincerely,'.

**Emma Benton**  
**General Manager**  
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