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PQ 1216/25 "To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of families assigned to Balbriggan CDNT for their initial appointment that have been redirected to alternative teams in CH09; and if he will make a statement on the matter." Grace Boland, TD

Dear Deputy Boland,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you with information in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Central Remedial Clinic (CRC) Balbriggan Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT) and Primary care services work in collaboration and a child may transfer between services in line with the HSE National Policy on Access to Services for Children & Young People with Disability & Developmental Delay:

(National Policy on Access to Services for Children & Young People with Disability & <u>Developmental Delay</u>). The policy acknowledges the appropriate pathways to meet a child's individual needs may change based on presenting need determined by clinical professionals at various stages of a child's life.

The CRC Balbriggan CDNT reviewed 169 children in the recent six month period for their initial appointment and 56 children were transferred to Primary Care services. Concurrently Primary Care services have transferred 21 children to CDNT during the same period.

I trust this information clarifies this matter for you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Enda Doody General Manager, Disability Service Covering Integrated Health Areas of Dublin North County and Dublin North City & West