

Programme for Government Mental Health Commitments

Summary Table

<u>MHR Asks - PfG Submission</u>	<u>PfG Commitments</u>
Voluntary and Community Mental Health Sector	“Continue to support the voluntary and community sector working in mental health.”
Legislative Reform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enactment of the Mental Health Bill 2024 ● “Legislate to regulate CAMHS.”
Sharing the Vision	“We will fully implement the national mental health policy, ‘Sharing the Vision’.”
National Clinical Programmes in Mental Health	<p>“Continue to expand the Clinical Programmes”</p> <p>“Deliver the first inpatient mother and baby mental health unit.”</p>
Cultural Competency	“Prioritise culturally appropriate mental health supports for Traveller and other minority communities.”
Youth Mental Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expand the central referral mechanism ● Resourcing CAMHs and reduction of waiting lists ● Youth Mental Health App ● Develop a new care model for HSE Primary Care Psychology to expedite services for young people with less complex issues.

Mental Health in Older Persons	“Fund mental health supports across all Integrated Care Programme for Older People (ICPOP) teams”
Suicide and self-harm prevention	<p>“Strengthen suicide prevention”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expand the Recovery Colleges ● Recruitment of SCAN (suicide crisis assessment nurses) ● Fund out of hours crisis services ● Expand the National Clinical Programme for Self-Harm and Suicidal Ideation.
Autism and Mental Health	“Establish targeted supports for children with autism experiencing mental health challenges.”

Detailed Table

<u>MHR Asks - PfG Submission</u>	<u>PfG Commitments</u>
Support Voluntary and Community Mental Health Sector	<p>P. 95 - “Continue to support the voluntary and community sector working in mental health.”</p> <p>P. 93 - Section 38/39 - <i>“Work with the voluntary sector through industrial relations mechanisms and other processes to progress pay issues that affect the delivery of disability services and the long-term viability of organisations within the sector.”</i></p>
Implement and Fund Sharing the Vision	P. 95 - “We will fully implement the national mental health policy, ‘Sharing the Vision’.”
“Progress the rollout of the National Clinical Programmes (NCPs) in Mental Health including the establishment of a Mother and Baby Unit.”	<p>P. 88 - “Deliver the first inpatient mother and baby mental health unit.”</p> <p>P. 96 - “Continue to expand the Clinical Programmes including ADHD, Dual Diagnosis, Early Intervention in Psychosis.”</p>
“ Cultural Competency: Invest in cultural	P. 96 “ Prioritise culturally appropriate mental

competency training for all mental health service providers, a national Traveller Mental Health Strategy and an ethnic identifier in all mental health services.”	health supports for Traveller and other minority communities.”
“ Autism: Deliver access to therapeutic support for Autistic children.”	P. 95 “Establish targeted supports for children with autism experiencing mental health challenges.”
Prioritise Youth Mental Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regulation of CAMHs ● Expand the central referral mechanism ● Resourcing CAMHs and reduction of waiting lists ● Youth Mental Health App ● Develop a new care model for HSE Primary Care Psychology to expedite services for young people with less complex issues.
“Reform the Mental Health Act, 2001”	<p>P. 95 - “A priority for this Government is the enactment of the Mental Health Bill 2024, the passage of which is essential to modernise our mental health services.”</p> <p>P. 95 - “• Legislate to regulate CAMHS.”</p>
Mental Health in Older Persons	P. 96 - “Fund mental health supports across all Integrated Care Programme for Older People (ICPOP) teams” - Older Persons
Suicide and self-harm prevention	<p>P. 96 - “Strengthen suicide prevention”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expand the Recovery Colleges ● Recruitment of SCAN (suicide crisis assessment nurses) ● Fund out of hours crisis services ● Expand the National Clinical Programme for Self-Harm and Suicidal Ideation.

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