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WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY G.P. SOUTHERN OF ST HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2016

Question

Will the Minister inform Members whether funding has been agreed between Family Nursing and Home Care and his Department for the delivery of services in 2017, and if so, will he state how that funding has been distributed between the following services:

- (a) District nursing
- (b) Sustained home visiting
- (c) Rapid response and reablement
- (e) Children's services (including palliative care)
- (f) School nurses
- (g) Health visiting
- (h) Community paediatrics
- (i) Home care provision

And if not, what issues remain to be resolved if he is to meet his target of achieving agreement by 30th November 2016?

What assessment has the Minister made of the effect of greater private sector involvement in the market for social care on terms and conditions for staff of Family Nursing and Home Care following their new funding settlement?

Answer

Further to the answers given to the Deputy's previous questions 9712 and 9681, my Department is continuing to work closely with Family Nursing & Home Care (FNHC) to finalise the funding for the delivery of services in 2017. Until agreement has been reached, I am unable to go into detail about the funding arrangements.

This is a complex issue and therefore discussions may extend beyond the 30th November target date. I would reiterate that FNHC continues to be a highly valued partner, particularly in the delivery of key out of hospital services.

As I have said previously, the arrangements FNHC puts in place regarding the terms and conditions of its staff following the new funding settlement are a matter for FNHC.