

Election 2024 the future Party Manifesto Checklist Ask 7: Quality Healthcare



Multiannual funding for organisations providing healthcare. including mental health, disability and addiction services, to address healthcare inequalities.

Supporting organisations and patient advocacy groups working to deliver the State's commitments under the UNCRPD.

Increasing investment in infrastructure and supports for community organisations under the roll-out of Sláintecare.

Sustainably funding providers of home care services in the sector.

Building on the Partnership Principles between Voluntary Organisations and the State in the health and social care sectors by ensuring patient advocacy groups are engaged in the co-design of services and policies, and that community health organisations are fully engaged in the regionalisation process.

Ensuring meaningful engagement with services, children and families, clinicians and professional representatives in the area of child disability services

Supporting Local Drug and Alcohol Task Forces to meet rising need in their areas.



Implement a Disability Service Sustainability Process for Section 38 and Section 39 organisations to ensure their long-term viability (82).

Advance the implementation of the **United Nations Convention on the Rights** of People with Disabilities (131).

Infrastructure investment (55).

Design a Statutory homecare scheme to enable people who want to stay in their own home to do so for as long as possible (57).

NO

Extend the AIM programme supports to all children with a disability aged 0 to 3 in childcare, building on the existen provision for 3-6 year olds (73).

disability services to address acute

Commitments re drug use supports (63).



Introduction of multi-annual funding to 'drive year-on-year improvements that lead to better health outcomes' (no reference to voluntary providers in this section) (80). We will strengthen the contributions of vital voluntary and community organisations working in mental health (91).

Fine Gael is committed to publishing a new National Disability Strategy that adopts a whole of-government approach and advances the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (90).

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We will create a regulated home care scheme to ensure fair access to highquality homecare services (83).

Promote a culture of safety and advocacy: We will provide staff with essential training and support to foster an environment where patients are listened to and recognised as the best advocates for their own care, particularly in maternity hospitals (88).

Within 100 days undertake a consultation with all relevant representative bodies to identify practical recruitment and retention initiatives, including sign-up and retention payments for staff in adolescent mental health and children's

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Multi-annual funding for children with scoliosis and the delivery of the National Cancer Strategy (72).

Investment in acute and primary care

Home Carer's Tax Credit increase (14).

NO

independence among young people with a disability by increasing the number of personal assistant hours by 300,000 per year (75).

needs (10).

Increase funding by 25% and 15% per Labour will ensure that under a new year subsequently to community-based National Drugs Strategy that additional disability services in line with the Action resources are directed to local Drug and Plan for Diability Services. P76. Support Alcohol task forces which provide vital frontline services in deprived communities (113).



Youth Mental Health (75): Tusla-funde d services, suicide and self-harm preve ntion, and students mental health (76) specified in addition to disability and addiction services.

Work with disabled person's organisations and in line with the UNCRPD to develop a new integrated single taxable benefit to replace existing schemes and the income disregard system, and phase in a permanent Cost of Disability payment (56).

NO

Transform our Health Service – cut waiting lists, fully staff our health services and implement Sláintecare so that we provide health and care services that are accessible, safe, and available when people need them (3).

Legislate for a statutory right to homecare and promote an equal division of paid work and care (86).

Labour will continue to fund the 221+ Patient Support Group, fully fund the lymphoedema and lipoedema model of care, and ensure continued implementation of the Scally report recommendations (29).

NO

Supports for children with disabilities and their families (35).

Provide better supports for Community Drug Services, putting in place efficient, reliable and sustainable funding arrangements that reflect the value of the work they do, including the 14 Local Drug

and Alcohol Task Forces (124).

Social **Democrats**

Make sustainable multi-annual funding the norm for domestic and sexual abuse services. Page 85. Make multi-annual government funding the default model for the C&V sector (71).

Prioritise the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities when in government (23).

Fully implement the Sláintecare programme within the term of the next government. Pre-commit the necessary funding outside of the annual Budget process, similar to how things work with the National Development Plan and public pay agreements (10).

Introduce a statutory right to homecare and provide a budget for a personcentred homecare scheme with equality of access and availability (13).

Supports for children with disabilities and their families (25).

their families (19).

Implementing our five-year Community Addiction and Recovery Strategy, returning funding to historic high levels for local and regional drug and alcohol taskforces and initiating an unprecedented investment in community addiction and recovery inpatient capacity (23).

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Commitments to support the sector, but not multiannual.

EPSEN Act 2004, ensuring the state is compliant with existing disability and equality legislation, and working systematically towards full compliance with the UNCRPD (23).

Reviewing the Disability Act 2005 and

Deliver on the commitment of Sláintecare to deliver the right care in the right place at the right time (21).

NO

Investment in hospitals (8).

Pursuing a 'home first' approach to care, develop a modern home care scheme and prioritise public home care delivery of five million additional home care

NO

Children's Disability Services section NO

> mprove the funding for services and facilities, including Local Drug and Alcohol Task Forces, for drug users and their families, including counselling, Supports for children with disabilities and occupational therapy, social support and psychotherapy to reduce the reliance on multiple drug prescriptions and illegal drugs (33).



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NO

Increase the Home Carers' Credit to equalise the tax treatment of oneincome couples and two-income couples created by tax individualisation

NO

NO

NO

Commitments re health and legal-based approach to drug use (49).



NO

A national PA policy is urgently needed to address these gaps, ensure equitable access, and fulfil Ireland's obligations under the UNCRPD, fostering independence, inclusion, and equality for people with disabilities (13).