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ACTION 24

Mental health: Let's make it happen

WHAT? → Criticising Budget 2009 for failing to allocate promised resources to Mental Health **and** requesting an update on the government's commitments to tackle the over-reliance on medication in medical health services.

→ **Ask the TDs and ministers:** When will the Government allocate promised resources to mental health services and when they will act or recommendations aimed at reducing the over-reliance on medication in the mental health services.

WHO?

→ **Call or write to all TDs in your constituency** (script for phone calls and letters enclosed). TDs have a duty to represent the views of all their constituents and to defend and promote local interests. Remember to call all the TDs in your constituency.

→ As well as your local TD please send the letter to:

Ms Mary Harney, T.D.
Minister for Health and Children
Department of Health and Children
Hawkins House
Hawkins Street
Dublin 2

Mr John Moloney T.D.
Minister of State with responsibility
for Equality, Disability and Mental
Health Department of Health and
Children
Hawkins House
Hawkins Street
Dublin 2

Ms Bairbre Nic Aongusa
Director
Office for Disability and Mental Health
Department of Health and Children
Hawkins House
Dublin 2

WHEN?→ Send letters to your local TD/Ministers on **Monday 3 November**
Make phone calls on **Wednesday 5 November**

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