



Pre-Budget 2021 Submission

Fund Ireland's Psychological Future Now

**Fund Trainee
Educational
Psychologists**

€720,000

**1 additional
Psychologist in
every HSE School
Age Disability Team**

€3.6m

**1 additional
Psychologist in
every Primary Care
Centre for children**

€8m

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**Fund Trainee
Counselling
Psychologists**

€500,000

**1 additional
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Intervention Team**

€2.5m



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- Patients accessing care at most appropriate, cost effective service level with a strong emphasis on prevention and public health
- Move from a system with long waiting time to one of timely responses
- January 2020: **10,000 waiting for Primary Care Psychology appointments**

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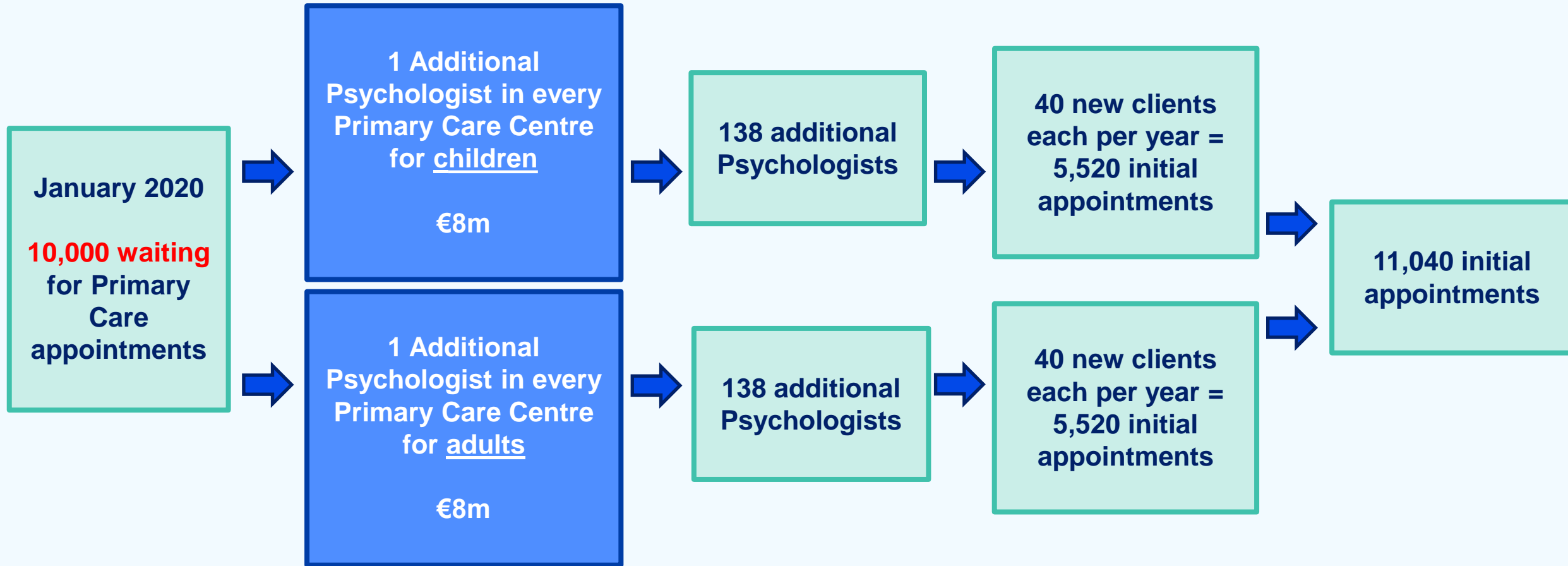


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**Equality of Funding Trainee Counselling &
Educational Psychologists must happen**

**Trainee Counselling Psychologists collectively
contribute almost 5,000 hours therapy per year,
for FREE**

**Trainee Educational Psychologists collectively
provide 2,000 days per year, for FREE**

[These are their stories](#)

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Early Intervention =

- Shorter waiting times
- Less reliance on acute services
- Less distress for families

