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PQ ref 20710/18 ** *To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the appointment of an additional 15 clinical midwife specialists in mental health; the number recruited to date; and the location of the appointments*

Dear Deputy Browne

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The 15 Clinical Midwife Specialists in mental health were allocated to the following hospital/units;

South/South West Hospital Group
1. Cork University Maternity Hospital
2. University Hospital Kerry
3. South Tipperary General Hospital
Saolta University Health Care Group
4. Mayo University Hospital
5. University Hospital Galway
6. Portiuncula University Hospital
7. Sligo University Hospital
8. Letterkenny University Hospital
RCSI Hospital Group
9. Cavan General Hospital
10. Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda
Ireland East Hospital Group
11. Wexford General Hospital
12. St Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny
13. Midland Regional Hospital, Mullingar
University Limerick Hospital Group
14. University Maternity Hospital Limerick

Dublin Midlands Hospital Group
15. Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise

Update on posts:

The job description for the Clinical Midwife Specialist in perinatal mental health is currently being agreed nationally with the care Programme for Psychiatry and the National Women and Infants' Health Programme. These posts are prioritised and will be progressed through to the recruitment process once the job description is agreed and finalised.

Yours sincerely,



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