

Oifig an tUas. Pat Bennett, Príomhoifigeach, Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail, Lár Tíre, An Lú, An Mhí Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte, Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin, An Tulach Mhór, Co. Uíbh Fhailí.

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Ms Carol Nolan T.D., Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question - 16525/19

To ask the Minister for Health the positions both allocated and filled in counties Laois and Offaly in the context of early intervention and school aged 0 to 18s teams in respect of speech and language therapy, social work, physiotherapy and occupational therapy in tabular form -Carol Nolan

Dear Deputy Nolan,

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 outline the position as follows.

I set out below the positions both allocated and filled in counties Laois and Offaly in the context of early intervention and school aged 0 to 18s teams in respect of Speech and Language Therapy, Social Work, Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy.

	Speech & Language		Social work		Physiotherapy		Occupational therapy	
	Laois	Offaly	Laois	Offaly	Laois	Offaly	Laois	Offaly
Allocated	6.5	6.1	2.5	2.5	.5	.5	6.5	7
Posts filled	4.1	5.9	2	2	.5	.5	4.5	6

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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