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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of dieticians or dietician hours allocated to children with diabetes in Cork University Maternity Hospital: and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Martin

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 only children treated in the Cork University Maternity Hospital are the infants in the Neo-Natal Unit. Diabetes in neo-natal infants is extremely rare but when there is an incident, the dieticians would assist.

Of note there is 1.5 WTE dietetic staffing for the diabetes services for Paediatrics in CUH.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Executive Office