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Deputy Joan Collins
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PQ 42442/20: To ask the Minister for Health the number of public health specialists that have applied for positions in the past month; and the number of vacancies the HSE is hoping to fill.

Dear Deputy Collins,

The pandemic has created a highly competitive recruitment environment in an already very limited pool of specialised medical professionals.

There are currently 3 vacant and 4 new Specialist in Public Health Medicine posts in active recruitment. In the past month, there have been 3 eligible applications to fill these SPHM positions.

We are progressing with targeted promotion, including advertisement in the BMJ to aid candidate attraction.

I trust this answers your question to your satisfaction.

Yours sincerely

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General Manager