



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte  
Health Service Executive

12<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

Mr. Robert Troy T.D.,  
Minister of State with responsibility for Trade Promotion,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

**Re: Parliamentary Question - 42927/20**

To ask the Minister for Health if he will appoint a full-time dietician to adult services in CHO8. -Robert Troy

Dear Minister Troy,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question. I have examined the matter and outline the position as follows.

Firstly I sincerely apologise for the delay in responding to your Parliamentary Question.

I can advise that in Midlands Adult Mental Health, Health Business Services (HBS) Recruit are in the process of filling a Senior Dietician for Laois /Offaly as this post was vacated in September, 2020.

We do not have a Senior Dietician position in Adult Mental Health services in Longford/Westmeath or Louth /Meath. However, in Louth /Meath we do contract in services with a private provider as required.

In Longford/Westmeath we have a Senior Dietician position which was vacated in Child and Adolescent Mental Health service which is also in the process of permanent filling by HBS recruit.

We understand the need for a full time Dietician within the Louth Meath Adult Mental Health services and have included this post in our priority development staff posts for 2021 which is a request for approval and additional funding in 2021. In the Midlands area we have requested funding and approval as part of the estimates process for a Senior Dietician for CAMHS supporting Longford/Westmeath and Laois/Offaly.

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

Yours sincerely,

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