

Deputy Patricia Ryan, T.D.
Dail Eireann,

19th August, 2020

RE: PQ ref 20998/20

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacancies at Portlaoise Hospital; the grade of each vacancy; the length of time each vacancy has been unfilled in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Dear Deputy Ryan,

I refer to the above PQ, and attach a breakdown of the number of vacancies, grade of each vacancy and length of time each vacancy has been unfilled, as requested. I also include details of vacant posts which are currently filled by agency staff.

I trust this clarifies the position.

Yours Sincerely,



Trevor O'Callaghan,
Chief Executive,
Dublin Midlands Hospital Group

	Number of Vacancies Unfilled	Length of time unfilled
Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise		
Nursing		
Assistant Director of Nursing - Patient Flow	1	2 months
Clinical Nurse Specialist - Cardiology/Diabetes/Dementia/Tissue viability/Paediatric Liaison/Anti Coagulant	4.5	2 months
Clinical Nurse Managers - Shift Leaders Emergency Department	2	3 months
Staff Nurse	5	3 - 6 months depending on Specialty
Clinical Midwife Manager - Shift leader	1	6 months
Staff Midwife	20	3 - 12 months
Health and Social Care Professionals		
Chief Medical Scientist - Biochemistry	1	1 month
Medical Scientist - Senior and Basic	4	3 months
Cardiac Physiologist - Basic and Senior	2	3 months
Basic Dietitian	1	1 month
Physiotherapist - Basic and Senior	3	1 month
Multi-task attendants	5	2 months
Total	49.5	

MRHP - Additional Vacancies covered by Agency WTE		Jul-20
TOTAL		63.67
Nursing		13.79
Other Patient and Client Care		6.61
Management/Admin		20.07
Medical Dental		14.95
Health & Social Care Professionals		7.25
General Support Staff		1

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