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16th June. 2020

Deputy Pa Daly, TD, Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare St, Dublin 2

PQ Number: 8842/20

Dear Deputy Daly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) - South (Cork & Kerry) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this office for response.

PQ: To ask the Minister for Health if some radiologists or radiographers have resigned recently within the radiology department at University Hospital Kerry; and if so, the way in which this will impact the implementation of the recommendations from the report regarding appropriate staffing in the department -Pa Daly.

University Hospital Kerry has five Consultant Radiologists positions. As is the norm, vacancies arise from time-to-time, which are recruited via the HSE National Recruitment Service (NRS), and such posts are temporarily filled on a locum basis to ensure continuity of care. UHK cannot comment on the contract arrangement of any member of staff.

Regarding radiographer staffing, UHK has engaged in a robust recruitment campaign and successfully recruited 6 radiographers who are currently in the process of being appointed.

I trust this response is to your satisfaction; should you have any further queries however, please do not hesitate to contact me.

South/South West Hospital Group

Yours sincerely,

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