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“To ask the Minister for Health the number of consultants in oral and maxillofacial surgeons employed in the health service; the number required to meet recommendations for the size of the population and consequent shortfall; and his strategy for achieving the number.”

Dear Deputy Murphy

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.

National Doctors Training and Planning (NDTP) Response

The data contained in this response is extracted from DIME (Doctors Integrated Management E-system) as at 13 November 2020.

The figures relate to CAAC-approved consultant posts (i.e. consultant posts that have been recommended for approval by the Consultant Applications Advisory Committee (CAAC)).

Post Title	No of posts
Consultant Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon	12

The report of the National Task Force on Medical Staffing (Hanly Report, 2003) was developed on behalf of the Department of Health to propose recommendations on medical staffing to meet the requirements of the European Working Time Directive (EWTD), to plan for the implementation of a consultant-provided service, to address the medical education and training needs associated with the EWTD and the move to a consultant-provided service.

A copy of the report is available at the following link:

<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/8736d0-report-of-the-national-task-force-on-medical-staffing-hanly-report/>

Please note that NDTP have requested information from Acute Operations regarding the recruitment strategy and we have been advised that they will respond separately to this section of your query,



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