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Re PQ 25843/20

**“To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE disability staff in CHO9 that have been redeployed to provide Covid-19 swabbing functions in test centres in each month from May to September 2020, in tabular form’ - Mary Lou McDonald**

Dear Deputy McDonald,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

**No of HSE Disability Staff in CHO Dublin North City and County Redeployed to Provide Covid-19 Swabbing Functions in test centre**

Month 2020	No of Staff Redeployed
May	3
June	1
July	0
August	0
September	2

I wish to highlight the above figures do not include the many HSE disability staff in Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC) who were redeployed to provide 24/7 frontline residential care with reduced staffing levels remaining in healthcare centres for delivery of urgent services in Early Intervention Teams (EIT), School Aged Disability Teams (SADT), Assessment of Need (AON) and Adult Services.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact this office.

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