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PQ 25844/20 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE primary care 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 to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

No of HSE Primary Care staff in CHO Dublin North City and County redeployed to provide Covid-19 swabbing functions in test centres each month from May to September 2020 in tabular form;

Month	No. of Staff Redeployed
May	64
June	55
July	38
August	35
September	77

Please note that the figures given are for those staff directly involved in swabbing functions, however, there were additional staff redeployed to test centres who may have been working in other areas such as administration and porterage, etc.

Whilst the figures indicate how many staff were redeployed for swabbing, many of these workers may have been in their clinical roles for some of the days/weeks and may only have been on swabbing duties intermittently.

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

Yours sincerely

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