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PQ 19548/21 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of speech and language therapists occupational therapists working with children directly employed by the HSE and by section 38 organisations in CHO 9 in each of the years 2016 to date in 2021, in tabular form, and if he will make a statement on the matter. – Aodhán Ó'Riordáin

Dear Deputy Ó'Riordáin,

In the first instance I would like to apologise for the delay in responding due to cyber-attack.

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.

The figures below reflect the number of Speech and Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists, and Psychologists working in Paediatric services in Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC). It should be noted that staffing levels can fluctuate throughout the year.

Speech and Language Therapy

CHO DNCC	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 To Date
Dublin North Central	15.5	13.7	14.3	14.3	17.3	17.8
Dublin North West	25	29	28	23	22	22
Dublin North	22.35	26.35	26.35	28.35	28.35	27.85
Total	62.85	69.05	68.65	65.65	67.65	67.65

Occupational Therapy

CHO DNCC	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 To Date
Dublin North Central	4.0	4.4	3.6	4.0	7.6	8.1
Dublin North West	8.7	8.7	9.2	10.2	11.2	11.2
Dublin North	4	7	7.5	5	6	6
Total	16.7	20.1	20.3	19.2	24.8	25.3

Psychology

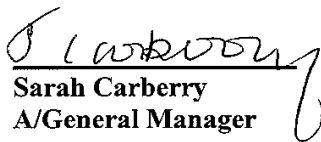
CHO DNCC	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 To Date
Dublin North Central	5	5	6	6.5	7	7
Dublin North West	2.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	4.6	4.6
Dublin North	0	0	3	3	3	2
Total	4.6	5.6	9.6	9.6	10.6	7.6

Section 38's

Section 38's	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 To Date
No. of SLT's	29.6	29.6	30.6	32.8	29.8	31
No. of OT's	34.5	35	34	38.6	42.1	38.1
No. of Psychologists	10.4	9.7	9.7	12.5	21.8	26.9

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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