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Deputy Catherine Murphy

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Dáil Éireann

Leinster House

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Re: PQ 21418/21: Re number of "STI clinics nationally; the staffing numbers at each; the vacancy numbers at each; and the length of time the vacancies have existed".

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 am advised by the HSE Sexual Health & Crisis Pregnancy Programme that there are 22 public STI clinics in Ireland. See the list of clinics in the list below:

<https://www.sexualwellbeing.ie/sexual-health/hse-sti-services-in-ireland.html>

I am further advised that the Womens' Health Service operates a sexual health clinic and outreach support to women/trans women involved in the sex industry (see link below):-.

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/5/sexhealth/whp/>

I understand that the specific staffing details which you request in relation to the STI Clinics is not available as the staff census managed by National HR provides details of HSE staffing by hospital group or community health organisation under the general groupings of Medical & Dental, Nursing & Midwifery, Allied & Social Care Professionals, Management/Admin, General Support and Patient & Client Care and is not available by service.

I understand from the HSE Sexual Health & Crisis Pregnancy Programme that public STI services are not funded from a single budget; some receive funding from primary care, some from public health and some are provided within public hospitals. Further information is available in a mapping report published by the Sexual Health & Crisis Pregnancy Programme (SHCPP) in 2018, Sexual Health Services in Ireland: A Survey of STI and Contraception Services.

Yours sincerely,

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