

1st March

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Re: PQ 8221/21 – Vacant nursing positions, WGH.

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant nursing positions by grade in Wexford General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Mythen,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on the number of vacant nursing positions in Wexford General Hospital, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined, please see data below:

Vacant Approved Post	20.01.2021 Comments	Commencement Date of Approvals
CMS Lactation	Still with HBS – job spec agreed 16.1.2021	October 2020
AMP	Still with HBS	October 2020
CNS Tissue Viability	Still with HBS	October 2020
CNS Urodynamics	Still with HBS	October 2020
CNM2 Careful Nursing Project Lead	Interviewed 4/1/2021 and successful candidate awaiting confirmation of start date Start date 1/3/2021 agreed	NMPDU funded x 1 year from start date
Staff Nurses – ED/ICU/General	Staff Nurses – ED/ICU/General – campaigns currently at early stage of process, virtual interviews provisionally booked for week commencing 8/2/2021 ED SN interviews were held 10/2/2021 and panel currently being cleared. ICU SN campaign has been shortlisted and expect	November /December 2020

	Interviews in the coming weeks. (IEHG running this campaign)	
Staff Midwives	Awaiting confirmation of job spec from DOM – expect to advertise end of January 2021 Campaign currently live with closing date 12/3/2021	December 2020
Paediatric SN	Campaign currently live with closing date 12/3/2021	
CNM3 Perioperative Services	Advertised via IEHG December 2020 – no applicants. Re-advertise again Jan 2021	October 2020
CNS - IPC	Advertised via IEHG – no applicants. To be re-advertised. It is planned to run and IEHG campaign to cover all sites.	October 2020

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



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