



12<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Deputy David Cullinane,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

**PQ 10072/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the profession breakdown by discipline and speciality for each public health department; the number of posts funded, filled, and vacant; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11388/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of healthcare assistant posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11389/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of consultant posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11390/21 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of registrar posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11391/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of SHO and interns for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11392/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of medical, dental and other posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11393/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of nursing and midwifery posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11394/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of health and social care posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent,**

temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**PQ 11395/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of management and administrative posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11396/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of general support posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**PQ 11397/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of patient and client care posts for each CHO; the number of posts funded, filled and vacant, respectively; the basis on which they are filled, that is, permanent, temporary, agency and locum by whole-time equivalent in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**-David Cullinane**

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Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

We do not hold data on the numbers of vacancies or agency and locum staff as referred to in the PQs above. The vacating of a position does not in itself create a vacancy as the work of the position may be covered through redeployment, restructuring or reallocation. In addition, where a post has been approved for filling, the duties may be covered by agency or overtime in the interim, pending a recruitment process. It is not possible, therefore, to give a definitive figure for vacancies and information on vacant positions is not routinely collected in the manner sought by the Deputy. Health service agency staffing resources are collated on the basis of expenditure.

With specific regard to different types of posts, and their WTE, a report is produced by Strategic Workforce Planning publicly available on the HSE website at [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie), regarding employment data, absence data and staff turnover on a monthly basis. The national version of this report can be found at the attached hyperlink: <https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/national-reports.html> or for information pertaining to a more specific area can be found at <https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/> broken down by Community Health Organisation, Hospital Group, etc.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,



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