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To ask the Minister for Health the number of clinicians in CHO7 that have been redeployed from early intervention and school age disability teams into assessment of needs posts; and if he will make a statement on the matter

-Mark Ward

Dear Deputy Ward,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your representation on the above matter. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Currently we have 6 Psychologists, 7 Speech and Language Therapists and 8 Occupational Therapists redeployed to Assessment of Need. As soon as Assessment of Need backlog is complete these therapists will return to their original posts under the Children's Teams.

I trust the above information is of assistance to you and if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Deborah Jacob

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