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"To ask the Minister for Health the steps he will take to address the shortage of neurological nurse specialists in Cork University Hospital and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy O'Connor

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.

There are four neurology nurse specialists in post in Cork University Hospital. Interviews were held recently for an additional neurology nurse specialist but none of the candidates were successful. This post will be readvertised as a priority.

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,

Interim Chief Executive Officer