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Ms. Rose Conway Walsh, TD  
Houses of the Oireachtas,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

**Re; PQ 54032/21 To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE is in receipt of funding applications to appoint a Consultant Endocrinologist, a Clinical Nurse Specialist for Diabetes and a Dietician for Diabetes in Pregnancy to Mayo University Hospital; if he will pursue the appointment of these positions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. –Rose Conway Walsh**

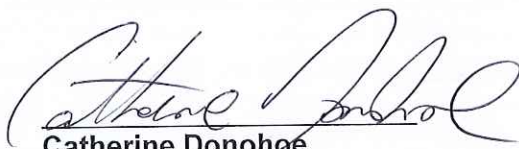
Dear Ms. Rose Conway Walsh,

Thank you for your representation.

There has been a Consultant Endocrinologist post funded in Mayo University Hospital and is currently going through recruitment process. There has been an extra Dietician approved for Diabetes Services as part of the Chronic Illness Programme for Diabetes and currently going through the recruitment process. We have three Clinical Nurse Specialist positions in the hospital and an Advanced Nurse Practitioner. The Advanced Nurse Practitioner and one of the CNS's are in post, a third one is starting in post on the 6<sup>th</sup> of December and we are recruiting for the replacement of another one. The delay in the start date for the first one was because the successful candidate was completing Maternity Leave.

We expect that all positions will be filled year end or by early 2022. Both of these posts are general posts which will incorporate diabetes in pregnancy but are not solely for diabetes in pregnancy.

Kind Regards,



**Catherine Donoghoe**  
Hospital Manager