



17th November, 2021

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Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
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Re: PQ 55645/21

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant positions that are currently in counties Sligo and Leitrim early intervention team; and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Dear Deputy Kenny

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.

The following positions are currently vacant in the Leitrim Children's Disability Network Team 0-18 years:

- One Speech and Language Therapy post – vacant due to Maternity Leave – progressing through approval process.
- One Physiotherapy post – currently progressing through the recruitment process.
- One Social Worker post – currently progressing through the recruitment process.
- One Dietician post – currently progressing through the recruitment process.
- One Autism Therapist post (0.5 Whole Time Equivalent) - currently progressing through the recruitment process.
- One Community Facilitator post (0.5 Whole Time Equivalent) - vacant due to secondment- currently progressing through the recruitment process.

The following positions are currently vacant in the Sligo / South Donegal Children's Disability Network Team 0-18 years:

- One Autism Spectrum Disorder Therapist post. – currently progressing through the recruitment process.
- Four Occupational Therapy posts:
 - two of which are at the stage of starting dates being confirmed by the appointees.
 - one currently progressing through the recruitment process.
 - one vacant due to Maternity Leave.- progressing through approval process.

- One Speech and Language Therapy post – vacant due to Maternity Leave - progressing through approval process.
- One Staff Grade Psychology post – new development post recently allocated – currently progressing through the recruitment process.

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



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