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"To ask the Minister for Health the action that is being taken to increase the number of neurology nurse specialists at Cork University Hospital; if he will confirm that an additional 100 extra neurology nurse specialists will be provided across Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Moynihan

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 unfortunately, none of the candidates were successful. These interviews will be rescheduled as a priority.

I am not in a position to comment in relation to an additional 100 extra neurology nurse specialists in the country.

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