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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of consultants needed in order to assure sufficient care for diabetics in Cork University Hospital"

Dear Deputy Sherlock

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.

Cork University Hospital currently has 3 Adult Diabetic Consultants and 2 Paediatric Consultants with a specialist interest in Endocrinology.

There are 2 new Diabetic Posts going through the recruitment process. The Transitional Diabetes Consultant post was recently approved by the Consultant Appointment Commission and is to be advertised. The Diabetes Integrated Care Consultant Post was advertised on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

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,

Dr. Gerard O'Callaghan//

Interim Chief Executive Officer