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Mr David Cullinane TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 50235 - To ask the Minister for Health the staffing levels in the diabetes department at the University Hospital Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cullinane

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.

I can confirm that the current staffing levels in the Diabetes Unit at University Hospital Waterford are as follows:

- 2 Permanent Consultant Endocrinologists, supported by a team of 2 Registrars, 3 SHO's and 1 Intern
- 1 Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) Adult Service
- 1 Diabetes Nurse (CNM2) Paediatric Service
- 1 Diabetes Midwife Specialist (CNS)
- 1 Senior Dietician (Paediatric Diabetes)
- 1 Senior Dietician (Adult Services - Type 1 Diabetes)

I can also advise that a 3rd Consultant Endocrinologist post has been approved and is currently with Recruitment. This is a 50:50 shared post with Community Services. One Advanced Nurse Practitioner Post (ANP) was also advertised recently and interviews are scheduled to take place later this month. One Clinical Nurse (CNM2) Integrated Care Programme (Slaintecare) Post is currently advertised and 1 Senior Podiatrist Endocrinology post is currently vacant and with Recruitment. Additionally, 1 Consultant Paediatrician at UHW has a special interest in Diabetes and supports the service.

I trust the above is satisfactory but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Grace Rothwell
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