

24th September, 2021

Mr Ruairí Ó Murchú T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2. Oifig an Príomhoifigeach, Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail, Lár Tíre, An Lú, An Mhí Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte, Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin, An Tulach Mhór, Co. Uíbh Fhailí.

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Re: Parliamentary Question - 41440/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant positions to be filled in CHO8 mental health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Ó Murchú,

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 I outline the position as follows.

The current vacancies are 96.5 Whole Time Equivalents (as of today's date). Some of these are filled by agency and overtime. These vacancies are being proactively managed and progressing through a structured recruitment process.

I trust that the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

Anne Kennedy
Acting Chief Officer

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