



David Cullinane TD Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2 DO2 XR20

24th May 2022

RE: PQ REF: 20903/22

**RE:** To ask the Minister for Health the number of whole-time equivalent staff working in the radiology department of Naas General Hospital; the number of vacancies by job title within this Department; when will these vacancies be filled in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

Naas General Hospital is committed to the delivery of high quality and safe services for its patients. The number and type of vacancies is variable and subject to ongoing management across the Hospital. The Hospital has been engaged with the Dublin Midlands Hospital Group to inform strategic workforce planning to ensure adequate numbers and appropriately experienced staff are employed to deliver high quality care to our patients as set out in the HSE Service Plan (2022). This involves the Hospital utilising a multiplicity of methods to ensure that staffing levels match the needs of the service, to include national and international recruitment across all disciplines and the ongoing use of agency and overtime where temporary gaps exist in the service.

There is an extensive recruitment Radiology campaign underway including international recruitment drive to address the vacancies.

Further to your recent correspondence regarding the above, please find below details of staff grade vacancies at NGH as at today's date 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

**Staff Grade Vacancies** 

Subject to change as recruitment is on-going

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No WTE Working:	17 (16 Radiographers + 1 Assistant)
No Vacancies current:	11 (WTE: 10.5)
No Vacancies Pending	2 (WTE: 1.5)
Vacancy Grades:	Clinical Specialist/ Senior/ Senior Ultrasound/ Practice Tutor/ Staff Grade
Vacancy Fill Date:	5 staff grades going through recruitment process and due to commence when graduated in July 2022
	4 maternity leaves returning at various dates 2022/2023
	2 posts re-advertised as no suitable candidates

Yours sincerely,

Kieran McDonald, General Manager

Naas General Hospital