

9<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Deputy Brendan Griffin,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Dublin 2

**PQ ref 10234/22**

***“To ask the Minister for Health the number of full-time psychologists and psychiatrists available in University Hospital Kerry and County Kerry, respectively for adult mental health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”***

Dear Deputy Griffin,

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.

Please see table below in relation to Medical and Psychology current staffing within University Hospital Kerry and Kerry Community Mental Health Services.

	UHK	Community
Consultants	2	7
Senior Registrar	1	3
NCHDs (trainees)	2	6
Psychology	0	6

At all times Kerry Mental Health Services strives to ensure that the staff profile and skill mix appropriately meets the needs of all service users. Across Kerry Mental Health Services, all facilities/ community teams are staffed in relation to medical, nursing and allied health professionals to the specific needs and requirements of that facility/ community team.

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised.

Kind Regards,



**Mr Kevin Morrison**  
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