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Mr Joe Carey TD
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Re: PQ ref 10634/22 "To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a query (Could you please provide a detailed report in relation to Child Mental Health Services available in County Clare including the amount of consultants and staff delivering same.); and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Carey

Thank you for your recent correspondence seeking a detailed report on the Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services in Co Clare.

Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services in Co. Clare are provided by two multi-disciplinary teams with team clinical leadership provided by a Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist.

The total population of the county is 118,817 with 30,625 of these aged between 0-18 years.

The table below shows current staffing.

2016 Census Data	Current WTE Allocation	WTE In Situ	Comments
Medical	2.0	1.4	
Nursing	2.0	2.0	
Psychology	2.0	1.0	Offered out to the Panel awaiting to be accepted
Social Work	1.0	1.0	
Occupational Therapy	1.0	1.0	
Speech & Language Therapy	0.5	0.5	
Admin	1.0	0.0	Interviews to take place week commencing 21 st March 2022
Total WTE	8.5	8.1	

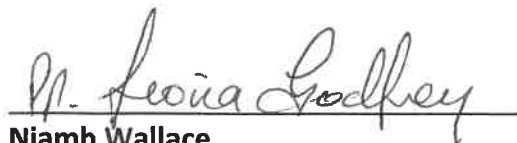
2016 Census Data			
	Current WTE Allocation	WTE In Situ	Comments
Medical	3.8	3.8	
Nursing	3.0	2.0	
Psychology	2.0	1.0	This Position will be launched at the End of May 2022 with Interviews taking place in June / July 2022
Social Work	2.0	2.0	
Social Care	1.0	1.0	
Occupational Therapy	1.0	1.0	
Speech & Language Therapy	0.5	0.5	
Admin	1.0	1.0	
Total WTE	14.3	13.3	

There are ongoing difficulties in recruiting across several disciplines, which is a difficulty also reported by CAMHS services across the country.

Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) in the Mid-West Community Healthcare Organisation provides assessment and interventions to children and young people aged 0-18 years living in this catchment area. This service is for children and young people presenting with moderate to severe mental health difficulties

I trust this answers your queries, please feel free to contact me if you require further information.

Yours sincerely,



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