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To ask the Minister for Health the number of nurses required in order to have the full complement of neurology nurse specialists for University Hospital Galway which serves a large population in the west of Ireland; the number of neurology nurse specialists that are currently in place; the steps that are being taken in terms of recruitment and allocation of additional nurse numbers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Seán Canney.

Dear Deputy Canney,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above, the following outlines the situation.

Currently in GUH the number of Neurology Nurse Specialist in post are 3.96 whole-time equivalents (WTE)

An additional 3.0 WTE are due to start in the coming months.

Hence our Total compliment of Neurology Nurse Specialist Nurses in post will be 6.96 WTE.

Currently GUH have no vacancies for Neurology Nurse Specialists hence no further recruitment is pending at this point in time.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,


Chris Kane
General Manager
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