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Deputy Bríd Smith Dail Eireann, Dublin 2.

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PQ Number: 7509/22

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff employed in the CAMHS services across the State who are not currently in service but who are absent from work; the number who are on voluntary long-term leave career or other break, on sick leave, who are suspended or on administrative leave or who are currently redeployed to other services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Bríd Smith

Dear Deputy Smith

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 the following outlines the position.

- Number of Staff redeployed is not recorded nationally
- Absence is recorded using % of lost and available hours the % absence for CAMHS is shown below.

| Calendar Year/Month | Absence % Include Covid-19 | Absence % Excl. Covid-19 |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| JAN 2021 | 7.28 % | 4.50 % |
| FEB 2021 | 5.64 % | 5.05 % |
| MAR 2021 | 5.29 % | 4.87 % |
| APR 2021 | 4.28 % | 3.84 % |
| MAY 2021 | 3.17 % | 3.02 % |
| JUN 2021 | 3.31 % | 3.17 % |
| JUL 2021 | 3.90 % | 3.65 % |
| AUG 2021 | 3.93 % | 3.75 % |
| SEP 2021 | 3.40 % | 3.19 % |
| OCT 2021 | 3.81 % | 3.04 % |
| NOV 2021 | 4.47 % | 3.65 % |
| DEC 2021 | 4.99 % | 3.21 % |



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A total of 17 staff nationally were on Career Break at 31st January 2022

| Programme | Census Career Break Count JAN 2022 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Mental Health (Child & Adolescent) | 17 |

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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