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To ask the Minister for Health the steps that are being taken to recruit neurology nurse specialists for Cork University Hospital given that the unit is short of specialised staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy O’Sullivan

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.

There are five (5) Neurology Nurse Specialists employed in Cork University Hospital. A Candidate Advanced Nurse Practitioner for Epilepsy, is currently going through the recruitment process.

In relation to the overall Neurology Service an additional two (2) Consultant Neurologist posts for CUH have recently been approved by the Consultant Applications Advisory Committee (CAAC)

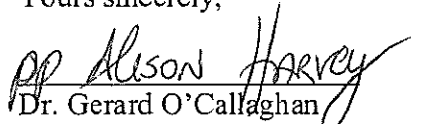
In addition:

- A second Consultant Neurophysiologist was recently appointed in CUH
- An initiative to convene “ after hours” OPD Clinics to address long waiters is also under discussion.

All funded Neurology Nurse Specialist posts in CUH are filled.

I trust this information if of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,


Dr. Gerard O'Callaghan
Interim Chief Executive Officer