

21st July 2022

Deputy Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire
Dáil Éireann
Dublin 2

PQ ref 37857/22

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons employed in July 2019, 2020 and 2021 in community psychiatry, community psychology and community CAMHS areas in County Cork by area; and the positions recruited since January 2021 in County Cork in these sectors.”

Dear Deputy Ó Laoghaire,

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.

CAMHS services are designed for children and adolescents presenting with moderate to severe mental health needs. There are a total of eight sector based community mental health teams in Cork and two sector based teams in Kerry. The CAMHS community based teams are supported by Eist Linn, Child and Adolescent Inpatient Unit. Cork Kerry Community Healthcare also have a Child & Adolescent Regional Eating Disorders service operating day programmes and outpatient services. Please see table below for WTE breakdown of each Cork CAMHS team per discipline as of July 2019, July 2020 and July 2021

	Consultant Psychiatrist			Psychology			Social Work			Occupational Therapy			Senior Reg/Reg/SHO			Nursing/Other Therapist			SALT			Administration			
	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	
Cork North Central	0	1	1	1.2	1.6	1.8	1	2.4	2.2	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.2	0.45	0	1.3	1.8	1.8
North Cork	1	1	1	1.8	3	2.8	2.8	3.8	3	1.1	1.6	1.6	2	2	2	1.4	1.5	1.5	2	2	1	2	2	2	2
North Lee East	1	1	1	1.2	2	2	1.8	3.2	2.6	1.5	1	1	2	2	2	1.5	1.5	1	0.6	0.6	1.4	2	2	2	2
North Lee West	1	1	0.8	1.3	1.8	2	1.8	2.3	2.2	0.8	1.5	0.8	2	2	2	1	1	1.4	1	1	0.8	2	2	1	1
West Cork	1	1	1	2.2	2.4	2.4	2	2	2	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	1	1	1	2	2	1.6	1.4	1.4	0.89	1	1	1
South Lee 1	1	1	1	1	1.6	1.6	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	2	2	1.77	0.9	1.9	0	0.8	0.8	1	0.8	1	1
South Lee 2	1	1	1	2	1.8	0	3.6	3.6	1.6	1	0.4	0	0.8	0.8	0.8	1	1	1	1	1.8	2	0.8	1.3	1.3	1.3
South Lee 3	1	1	1	2.4	1.6	3	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	1.2	0	0	2.8	1.2	1	1.6	1.8	2.8	2.8

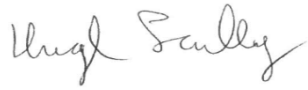
Of note, the data captured reflects the actual staffing working with each of these teams and therefore does not include staff WTE that were on maternity leave or other extended leave at the time.

While some recruitment of replacement of posts listed above has taken place since January 2021, those WTE are accounted for the table above. With regard to additional posts, recruitment is for a Senior Speech and Language Therapist in North Lee North and a CAMHS Social Worker will be spread across South Lee B and C teams. With regard to Psychology, please note, a new Psychology Assistant post has been approved and recruited for North Cork CAMHS team and is due to commence

September 2022. There is also an additional permanent staff grade post that will join CAMHS in North Cork when the recruitment process has been completed.

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised.

Kind Regards,



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