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To ask the Minister for Health the total number of speech and language therapist posts assigned within the primary care services in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murphy,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following outlines the current position.

I can confirm the total number of speech and language therapist posts (SLT) posts in Primary care Wexford is 25.

As with other areas all services within CHO South East Community Healthcare (SECH), SLT are experiencing significant recruitment challenges due to shortages of Health & Social Care Professionals (including Speech & Language Therapists) across the country. The HSE/SECH are reviewing all options to address the current vacancies as quickly as possible.

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

Yours sincerely,

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