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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of consultant child and adolescent psychiatrists that are employed by the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter - Duncan 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.

According to the Strategic Workforce Planning and Intelligence April 2022 Employment Report, the current WTE for CAMHS consultants is 73.

Staff Category /Group	WTE Apr 2022
Consultants CAMHS	73

In terms of increasing capacity, the HSE has doubled the number of Higher Specialist Training (HST) posts to graduate this year (in July) from 22 to 46. 13 of these posts will be in CAMHS. The HSE is organising for these graduates to meet HSE Heads of Service and Executive Clinical Directors (ECDs) in Community Health Organisations (CHOs) around the country, in order to enhance the linkages with graduates in terms of vacancies and opportunities.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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