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Ms. Kathleen Funchion TD Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2

## PQ 33818/22

To ask the Minister for Health the total number of occupational therapy posts in primary care in County Carlow; the number of these posts that are filled; the number of these posts that are vacant; and the length of time that each post has remained vacant.

Dear Deputy Function,

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.

Carlow – Occupational Therapy posts under remit of OT Manager, Primary Care

Carlow	Existing *WTE	*WTE Vacancies	Comments
Occupational Therapy	employed	awaiting recruitment	
Primary Care Staff			
Primary Care Adults	6.0	2.0	Awaiting fill by national
			panel
Primary Care	2.0	0	
Paediatrics			
Older Persons	1.0		Sacred Heart Hospital base
Adult Intellectual	1.0	0	
Disability (ID)			

<sup>\*</sup>WTE = whole time equivalent

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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