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Mr Brian Stanley T.D.,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question – 11145/22**

**To ask the Minister for Health the number of whole-time equivalent dental hygienist and dental nurses working in the public health services in County Laois in each of the past four years in tabular form. -Brian Stanley**

Dear Deputy Stanley,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply 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 I outline the position as follows.

| Year | Dental Nurse WTE | Dental Hygienist WTE |
|------|------------------|----------------------|
| 2018 | 4.8              | 1                    |
| 2019 | 4.8              | 1                    |
| 2020 | 4.8              | 1                    |
| 2021 | 4.8              | 1                    |
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I trust the above is in order and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely

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