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**“To ask the Minister for Health the number of allocated posts for each therapy by CHO in tabular form; the number that are currently vacant by CHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Róisín Shortall”**

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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

The information is not available in the format requested, however detailed information on number of HSE therapy grades by location is publicly available on the HSE website at [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie)

The national version of this report can be found at the attached hyperlink: <https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/national-reports.html> or for information pertaining to a more specific area can be found at <https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/> broken down by Community Health Organisation, Hospital Group, etc.

CHO1

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	316	323	350	354	+5
Health Science/ Diagnostics	7	7	8	8	+1
Social Care	11	15	14	14	-0
Social Workers	85	92	97	99	+3
Psychologists	60	62	65	67	+2
Pharmacy	2	3	4	4	-0
H&SC, Other	32	31	42	39	-2
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>586</b>	<b>+7</b>



CH02

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	338	362	382	388	+6
Health Science/ Diagnostics	6	8	10	10	
Social Care	245	268	292	289	-3
Social Workers	84	84	90	90	-0
Psychologists	73	78	85	87	+2
Pharmacy	5	4	5	5	-0
H&SC, Other	59	56	64	64	+0
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>933</b>	<b>+5</b>

CH03

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	214	223	255	254	-0
Health Science/ Diagnostics	5	9	8	8	-1
Social Care	245	288	284	284	+0
Social Workers	59	58	62	64	+2
Psychologists	124	126	122	121	-0
Pharmacy	5	5	6	6	+0
H&SC, Other	32	34	30	31	+1
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>+1</b>

CH04

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	448	464	530	529	-1
Health Science/ Diagnostics	12	13	14	14	-0
Social Care	240	252	267	270	+3
Social Workers	115	132	135	135	-1
Psychologists	138	152	149	150	+1
Pharmacy	8	11	10	10	+0
H&SC, Other	60	64	80	78	-1
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>1,021</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>1,185</b>	<b>1,186</b>	<b>+1</b>



CH05

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	327	325	354	362	+7
Health Science/ Diagnostics	4	8	7	7	+0
Social Care	164	153	161	163	+1
Social Workers	60	63	62	65	+3
Psychologists	79	79	78	81	+3
Pharmacy	1	2	3	3	-0
H&SC, Other	35	32	44	44	-1
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>+14</b>

CH06

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	238	238	236	236	+0
Health Science/ Diagnostics	18	20	19	19	+1
Social Care	364	392	439	424	-15
Social Workers	57	54	57	55	-2
Psychologists	56	66	66	67	+1
Pharmacy	4	4	7	7	
H&SC, Other	14	10	16	17	+0
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>-15</b>

CH07

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	450	463	476	477	+2
Health Science/ Diagnostics	3	4	3	6	+3
Social Care	371	400	447	447	-0
Social Workers	105	108	111	114	+3
Psychologists	81	87	88	89	+1
Pharmacy	40	38	43	43	+0
H&SC, Other	44	41	46	46	+1
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>1,094</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>1,215</b>	<b>1,224</b>	<b>+9</b>



CHO8

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	377	395	395	392	-3
Health Science/ Diagnostics	7	9	11	11	-0
Social Care	368	388	422	400	-21
Social Workers	88	89	94	94	-0
Psychologists	120	115	118	117	-1
Pharmacy	7	8	12	11	-0
H&SC, Other	52	54	54	55	+0
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>1,019</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>1,106</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>-26</b>

CHO9

Feb 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Jan 2022	WTE Feb 2022	WTE change since Jan 22
Therapy Professions	486	530	578	578	+0
Health Science/ Diagnostics	37	34	32	31	-1
Social Care	695	745	815	813	-2
Social Workers	125	139	137	142	+5
Psychologists	164	183	185	185	+0
Pharmacy	25	29	29	29	+0
H&SC, Other	71	69	76	76	-0
<b>Health &amp; Social Care Professionals</b>	<b>1,603</b>	<b>1,728</b>	<b>1,851</b>	<b>1,854</b>	<b>+3</b>

In relation to vacancies we do not hold this information. The vacating of a position does not in itself create a vacancy as the work of the position may be covered through redeployment, restructuring or reallocation. In addition, where a post has been approved for filling, the duties may be covered by agency or overtime in the meantime. It is not possible, therefore, to give a definitive figure for vacancies and information on vacant positions is not routinely collected in the manner sought by the Deputy.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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