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Deputy David Cullinane
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
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To ask the Minister for Health the number of non-consultant doctor training posts allocated to general practice trainee in each of the years 2017 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

General practice training is in the main four years in duration. The first two years are spent primarily in hospital settings, with third and fourth year in supervised general practices. Please find the total number of General Practice trainees within the National Training programme in each of the years 2017-2021 in tabular form below. The recruitment for the July 2022 intake is ongoing however a 10% increase on the 2021 trainee intake figure for General Practice training is planned, with 257 places allocated for July.

Training year	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022
Total GPs in Training	674	729	705	772	801

Yours sincerely,

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