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Deputy David Cullinane

Dáil Éireann

Leinster House

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Re: PQ ref 16498/22 – ‘To ask the Minister for Health the number of positions at St. James's University Hospital which are vacant, unfilled or filled on a temporary, agency and locum basis at staff grade level in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.’

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

Based on current information, we would estimate that within the staff nurse population, we have 120 vacancies in total (65 permanent/ 55 temporary).

Based on a similar approach, we would estimate that current vacancies for entry level positions outside of nursing looks like this:

Non Nursing - Entry Level Grades 08.04.2022	
	Unoccupied
Support Services	83
Clerical	25
Paramedical	21

Based on a similar approach, our temporarily filled entry-level positions outside of nursing looks like this:

Non Nursing - Entry Level Grades 08.04.2022	
	Temp Filled
Support Services	15
Clerical	31
Paramedical	44

Notes & caveats:

- This data represents the position at a particular point in time and it changes on a daily basis, based on evolving staffing positions; daily leavers, hires, starters, engaged agency staffing etc.
- Agency or locum cover normally applies predominantly within the nursing and medical roles within the hospital and often varies on a daily basis dependent upon our needs and the availability of agency staff.
- This indicative level has been supported by a recent overall position analysis report which looks at recently unoccupied positions, in the round.
- This is a very fluid data set, changing daily. It excludes senior level vacancies.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Hugh Duggan
Director of Human Resources