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Deputy David Cullinane,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 22575/22 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of consultant ophthalmologists who have been recruited per CHO in each of the years since 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

- David Cullinane

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 22575/22) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Since 2019, the following number of consultant ophthalmologists have been recruited across the CHOs: 1 consultant ophthalmologist in CHO 9, 1 WTE consultant filled by two people job-sharing in CHO 6, and 2 consultant ophthalmologists in CHO 7.

There are currently two consultant ophthalmologists working both in the community and hospital settings in CHO 5.

CHO 2 is currently running a competition for the recruitment of 3 consultant ophthalmologists.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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