

14th November 2022.

Deputy Catherine Connolly T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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Re: PQ 54405-22 St. Vincent's University Hospital

Dear Deputy Connolly,

I refer to the recent parliamentary question which has been referred for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and can advise that the Long COVID Service in SVUH has been allocated 1 whole time equivalent senior Clinical Psychology post. A Senior Clinical Psychologist has been seconded into this post since the outset of the Long COVID service. This is due to cease at the end of November 2022 as the staff member is relocating to another hospital. The substantive post will be progressed by the SVUH recruitment team in order to fill the vacancy.

I trust this information is helpful to you.

Yours sincerely

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Interim Chief Executive Officer.





