



14 November 2022

Deputy Duncan Smith
Dáil Éireann
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PQ Number: 55468/22

Question: "To ask the Minister for Health the number of unfilled consultant positions that currently remain unfilled for each hospital in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter." – Deputy Duncan Smith

Dear Deputy Smith,

Regarding the above Parliamentary Question, please see response below:

The data contained in this response is extracted from DIME (Doctors Integrated Management E-system) on 14th November 2022. DIME is dependent on clinical sites inputting details on their consultant workforce and therefore there may be variances and gaps in the data supplied to that held within clinical sites. As DIME is a live system it must be noted that there can be variances in the figures published dependent on the run date of the report as entries can be made with a retrospective date.

| Total number of vacant (unfilled) Consultant posts by location as at 14.11.2022 | | | |
|---|--------|----------------|-------|
| Principal Clinical Site | Vacant | Status Unknown | Total |
| Bantry General Hospital | 1 | | 1 |
| Beaumont Hospital | 7 | | 7 |
| Breastcheck - Eccles Unit | 1 | | 1 |
| Breastcheck - Merrion Unit | 1 | | 1 |
| Breastcheck - Southern Unit | 2 | | 2 |
| Breastcheck - Western Unit | 1 | | 1 |
| CAMHS - Clonskeagh Hospital | 1 | | 1 |
| CAMHS Cork | 1 | | 1 |
| CAMHS Dublin North City | 2 | | 2 |
| CAMHS Galway Roscommon Mayo | 4 | | 4 |
| CAMHS Linn Dara | 1 | | 1 |
| Cavan General Hospital | 7 | | 7 |
| Central Mental Hospital, Dundrum | 3 | | 3 |
| Cheeverstown House | 1 | | 1 |
| CHI at Connolly | 1 | | 1 |
| CHI at Crumlin | 29 | | 29 |
| CHI at Tallaght | 2 | | 2 |
| CHI at Temple St | 11 | | 11 |
| Childrens Hospital Group | 4 | | 4 |
| CHO 2 | 5 | | 5 |
| CHO 3 | 1 | | 1 |
| CHO 4 | 2 | | 2 |
| CHO 6 | 1 | | 1 |
| CHO 7 | 1 | | 1 |
| Cluain Mhuire (SJOG) | 2 | | 2 |

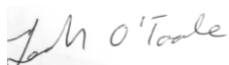
| Principal Clinical Site | Vacant | Status Unknown | Total |
|--|--------|----------------|-------|
| Coombe Women & Infants University Hospital | 3 | | 3 |
| Cork University Hospital | 40 | | 40 |
| Cork University Maternity Hospital | 2 | | 2 |
| Daughters of Charity | 1 | | 1 |
| Ennis Hospital | 1 | | 1 |
| Letterkenny University Hospital | 6 | | 6 |
| Mater Misericordiae University Hospital | 32 | 1 | 33 |
| Mayo University Hospital | 7 | | 7 |
| Mercy University Hospital | 6 | 1 | 7 |
| MHS Carlow / Kilkenny | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Cavan / Monaghan | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Clare | 2 | | 2 |
| MHS Cork North Lee | 4 | | 4 |
| MHS Cork South Lee | 3 | | 3 |
| MHS Donegal | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Dublin North | 3 | | 3 |
| MHS Dublin South Central | 5 | | 5 |
| MHS Dublin South East | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Galway / Roscommon | 2 | | 2 |
| MHS Kerry | 2 | | 2 |
| MHS Kildare / West Wicklow | 2 | | 2 |
| MHS Laois / Offaly | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Limerick | 5 | | 5 |
| MHS Longford / Westmeath | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Louth / Meath | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Mayo | | 1 | 1 |
| MHS Sligo / Leitrim | 3 | | 3 |
| MHS Tipperary North | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Waterford | 1 | | 1 |
| MHS Wexford | 1 | | 1 |
| Midlands Regional Hospital, Mullingar | 3 | | 3 |
| Midlands Regional Hospital, Portlaoise | 6 | | 6 |
| Midlands Regional Hospital, Tullamore | 7 | | 7 |
| Monaghan Hospital | 2 | | 2 |
| Naas General Hospital | 5 | | 5 |
| National Maternity Hospital | 2 | | 2 |
| National Rehabilitation Hospital | 2 | | 2 |
| NUIG | 1 | | 1 |
| Older Persons Services Cavan / Monaghan | 1 | | 1 |
| Older Persons Services Donegal | 1 | | 1 |
| Older Persons Services Sligo / Leitrim | 1 | | 1 |
| Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda | 10 | 1 | 11 |
| Our Lady's Hospice & Care Services | 1 | | 1 |
| Our Lady's Hospital, Navan | 3 | | 3 |
| Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe | 13 | | 13 |
| Primary Care Cavan / Monaghan | 2 | | 2 |
| Primary Care Donegal | 1 | | 1 |
| Primary Care Sligo | 1 | | 1 |
| Rotunda Hospital | 4 | | 4 |
| Royal Victoria Eye & Ear Hospital | 1 | | 1 |
| Sexual Health Crisis Pregnancy Programme | 1 | | 1 |
| Sligo University Hospital | 12 | | 12 |
| South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital | 1 | | 1 |
| St James's Hospital | 13 | | 13 |
| St John's Hospital, Limerick | 2 | | 2 |

| Principal Clinical Site | Vacant | Status Unknown | Total |
|--|------------|----------------|------------|
| St Luke's, Rathgar | 3 | | 3 |
| St Michael's Hospital, Dun Laoghaire | 1 | | 1 |
| St Vincent's University Hospital | 11 | | 11 |
| St Vincent's, Fairview | 1 | | 1 |
| Tallaght University Hospital | 9 | | 9 |
| Tipperary University Hospital (TippUH) | 3 | | 3 |
| University Hospital Galway | 29 | | 29 |
| University Hospital Kerry | 14 | | 14 |
| University Hospital Limerick | 17 | | 17 |
| University Hospital Waterford | 13 | | 13 |
| University of Limerick Hospitals Group | 15 | | 15 |
| Wexford General Hospital | 8 | | 8 |
| Total | 463 | 4 | 467 |

**The above data excludes 16 vacant posts as the respective clinical site has assigned a future start date.*

| Definition of Status | |
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| Vacant | Recruitment for the post may be underway but the clinical site has verified on DIME that this is currently a vacant post. An appointment may have been made to a number of these vacancies with a prospective start date. It should be noted that there is often a significant period of time between approval of a consultant post through CAAC to the commencement of the recruitment process and ultimately the recruitment of a Consultant to a post. |
| Status Unknown | The clinical site has not yet assigned a Consultant to the post or marked the post as vacant. |

Yours sincerely,



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