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Re: PQ/56720/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of full-time occupational therapist and speech and language therapists currently employed as part of the children's disability network teams in County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Wynne

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The following table indicates the Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) posts allocated to and currently employed in the Clare Children's Disability Network Team:

Grade	Allocated Number	Currently Employed	Vacancy
Basic Grade Speech and Language Therapist	4.0 WTE	3.0 WTE	1.0 WTE
Senior Speech and Language Therapist	3.2 WTE	3.2 WTE	0
Basic Grade Occupational Therapist	2.0 WTE	2.0 WTE	0
Senior Occupational Therapist	3.8 WTE	3.1 WTE	0.7 WTE

Every effort is being made to fill all vacant posts on the Clare CDNT.

An additional 1.0 WTE Senior Speech and Language Therapist and 1.0 WTE Senior Occupational Therapist have been allocated for Special Schools under a recent government initiative. The recruitment of these posts is also underway.

I trust this clarifies the situation but should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Ethna McTeague
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