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Mr. Martin Browne TD
Dail Eireann
Leinster House
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PQ 51521/22

To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to there being no adult speech and language therapy for adults with intellectual disabilities in South Tipperary resulting in no referrals to the service being accepted; and his Department's plans to address this lack of service.

Dear Deputy Browne,

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

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

The recruitment process for the post of HSE Speech and Language Therapist (SLT) for Adults with Intellectual Disability in South East Community Healthcare is progressing – Interviews have been completed and panels formed.

There are two posts for filling, one for Carlow/Kilkenny/South Tipperary area and one for the Waterford/Wexford area. It is anticipated that the SLT's for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities will be in post in Quarter 1 of 2023.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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