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Deputy Cullinane Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

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Dear Deputy Cullinane

RE: PQ53016/22 To ask the Minister for Health the length of time for which each preexisting and newly-created vacant consultant post which are currently unfilled have been vacant, in tabular form; the date on which each post was sought, approved and first advertised; the date on which the posts were re-advertised, where applicable; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, submitted by you to the Minister for Health. This matter has been referred to me for response on behalf of the HSE.

The average length of time for which previously advertised & currently unfilled consultant posts have been vacant is 429 Calendar Days (as per attached spreadsheet).

Please note the NRS can only comment on when the post was approved and advertised (and re-advertised where applicable). The NRS have no oversight of the approval process prior to when the job order is submitted, therefore cannot comment on when each post was sought.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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