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Deputy Fergus O'Dowd
Dáil Eireann
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Dear Deputy O'Dowd

I refer to your recent PQ which has been forwarded to me for attention. Firstly, please accept my apologies for the delay in issuing a response.

PQ: To ask the Minister for Health the total number of paediatric gastroenterologists currently employed within with the HSE by hospital in each of the years 2018 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Children's Health Ireland (CHI) Response

I have followed up with Childrens Health Ireland (CHI) and set out here-under the information that you require.

Please note that there are no Gastroenterologists in CHI at Temple Street, the service is delivered from CHI at Crumlin.

Gastroenterologists employed in CHI at Crumlin

2018	3*
2019	5**
2020	5***
2021	5***
2022	5***

* One Gastroenterologist whole time equivalent 0.5

** Two Gastroenterologists each with whole time equivalent 0.5 (one of which commenced post on 1st of December 2019)

One Gastroenterologist commenced post 1st October 2019

*** Two Gastroenterologists each with whole time equivalent 0.5

Please note that in addition to the above, CHI at Crumlin also had support in each of the years 2018-2022 from a paediatrician with a special interest in Gastroenterology. This paediatrician works 7 hours in CHI at Crumlin per week which she delivers in the



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gastroenterology service and 30 hours in CHI at Tallaght. There are no Gastroenterologists in CHI at Tallaght employed for CHI at Tallaght only.

Yours sincerely

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