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To ask the Minister for Health the number of consultant urologists recruited per CHO in each of the years since 2019, in tabular form

#### **National Doctors Training and Planning (NDTP) Response**

The data contained in this response is extracted from DIME (Doctors Integrated Management E-system) as at 12 September 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.

<b>Table 1: Total number of CAAC Approved Consultant Urologist posts as at 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>			
<b>Hospital Group/CHO</b>	<b>Filled</b>	<b>Vacant</b>	<b>Total</b>
Dublin Midlands Hospitals Group	8		8
Ireland East Hospitals Group	9	2	11
RCSI Hospitals Group	13	1	14
Saolta Hospitals Group	9		9
South / South West Hospitals Group	9	2	11
University of Limerick Hospitals Group	3	1	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>57</b>

<b>Table 2: Number of filled CAAC Approved Consultant Urologist posts with a start date during years 2019, 2020, 2021 &amp; 2022</b>					
<b>Hospital Group/CHO</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>Total</b>
Dublin Midlands Hospitals Group	1	1	1	1	4
Ireland East Hospitals Group	1	1	2		4
RCSI Hospitals Group	4		1	1	6
Saolta Hospitals Group			2	1	3
South / South West Hospitals Group	1		3		4
University of Limerick Hospitals Group	1	1			2
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>23</b>

Definition of Status	
<b>Filled</b>	The clinical site has verified that a Consultant currently occupies this post.
<b>Vacant</b>	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. The vacancy figure includes a combination of posts that have previously been filled but have become vacant and posts that have never been filled.

Yours sincerely,



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