

## Oifig an Príomhoifigeach Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail Lár Tire, An Lú, An Mhí

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Mr. Sean Fleming T.D., Minister of State Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Re: Parliamentary Question 19053/23

To ask the Minister for Health for the update on the status of employing a person as a lactation consultant for the Laois/Offaly region; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Minister Fleming,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above question, which you recently submitted. I have examined the matter and I outline the position as follows.

I can confirm that a recruitment campaign was conducted in November 2022 to fill this post. The recruitment agency confirmed in January 2023 that despite the formation of a panel, they were unable to fill the post.

A supplementary campaign is planned for late May/early June 2023 as we endeavor to progress the filling of this post within the CHO.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

Des O'Flynn Chief Officer

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