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Ms Violet-Anne Wynne TD,
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To ask the Minister for Health the dedicated whole-time equivalents of consultant endocrinologists, dietitians, advanced nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, staff nurses and administrative support posts currently dedicated to the outpatient adult diabetes clinic in each of the hospitals under the University of Limerick Hospitals Group; the dedicated whole-time equivalents of consultant endocrinologists, dietitians, advanced nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, staff nurses and administrative support posts currently in place in the paediatric diabetes and endocrinology service at University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Violet-Anne Wynne

Dear Deputy Wynne,

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

Please see below for a breakdown of the number of endocrinologists, advanced nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, staff nurses and dietitians currently employed at UL Hospitals Group. These staff provide services across our hospital sites.

Funded Posts Adult Service	WTE
Endocrinologists	4.5
Specialist Dieticians	2
Staff Grade Dietician	1
Advanced Nurse Practitioner	1*
Clinical Nurse Specialists	4*
Staff Nurses	2
Administrative Support	2

Please note, there are two current staffing deficits at dietician level within this service. We anticipate that one of our dieticians will return to work next month.

Please note in addition that one ANP and two CNS posts are currently vacant. The recruitment process to fill these vacant posts is at an advanced stage.

Please see below details of the resources dedicated to the paediatric diabetes and endocrinology service at UL Hospitals Group:

Role	WTE UHL
Endocrinologists	1.5
Dietician	0.75
Advanced Nurse Practitioners	2 – (1 WTE for Diabetes & 1 WTE for Endocrinology)
Clinical Nurse Specialists	3
Staff Nurses	0
Administrative Support	3 – (1.5 WTE for Diabetes & 1.5WTE for Endocrinology)

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



Prof Colette Cowan
Chief Executive Officer
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