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18th of January 2023

**RE: PQ REF 1204/23**

**RE: To ask the Minister for Health the number of whole-time equivalent vacant nursing posts at Naas General Hospital as of 4<sup>th</sup> of January 2023; and when these vacancies will be filled in tabular form.**

Dear Deputy Murphy,

In relation to the above query, Naas General Hospital (NGH) can confirm the following nursing post vacancies as of the 4<sup>th</sup> of January 2023:

Date	Permanent vacancies	Temporary vacancies
4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	0 - Headcount wise	24.25 WTE (Maternity, unpaid leave, parental leave, etc.)

These temporary vacancies are being partially filled with 9 staff recruited for a new unit due to open in Q2 of 2023. The remaining 15.25 are filled with agency staff in so far as possible or are in the process of going through recruitment. There is ongoing recruitment taking place within the nursing department to fill any vacancies efficiently

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Kieran McDonald  
General Manager