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Re: PQ/2484/23

To ask the Minister for Health the number of whole-time equivalent positions allocated to the Children's Disability Network Team in Nenagh; the number of those positions vacant and the number of children attached to the Team as of 31st December 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Lowry

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Query	Response	Comment
The number of whole-time equivalent positions allocated to the Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT) in North Tipperary.	30.54 WTE	This includes the Children's Disability Network Manager clerical/admin support and staff.
The number of positions currently vacant on the CDNT.	3 WTE: • 2 WTE Basic Grade Psychologists	Multiple recruitment drives have been held to fill these posts but unsuccessful to date. Further recruitment campaign planned.
	1 WTE Basic Grade Social Worker	Post only recently vacant and now going through recruitment process.
The number of children attached to the North Tipperary CDNT as of 31st December 2022	Active Caseload: 1136 Waiting List: 338 Total: 1474	

I trust this clarifies the situation but should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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