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Ms Verona Murphy TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 3456 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of whole-time equivalent consultant ophthalmologists at University Hospital Waterford in each of the years 2020 to 2022 and to date in 2023; the days and times that each consultant is at the hospital in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

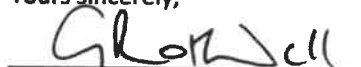
Dear Deputy Murphy

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 table below details the Consultant Ophthalmologists currently employed by University Hospital Waterford, all of whom have an agreed work schedule which is presently under discussion given the opening of the new Cataract Eye Theatre at UHW.

Name	2020	2021	2022
Mr. John Stokes	1 WTE	1 WTE	1 WTE
Ms. Edel Cosgrove	1 WTE	1 WTE	1 WTE
Dr. John Doris	1 WTE	1 WTE	1 WTE
Ms E Henry	0.6 WTE	0.6 WTE	Increased to 1 WTE May 2021
Ms Áine Ní Mhéalóid	0	0	1 WTE Commenced Nov 22
Mr. G Higgins	0.8 WTE	0.8 WTE	0.8 WTE
Ms Janice Brady	0.2 WTE	0.2 WTE	0.2 WTE

I trust the above is satisfactory but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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