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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of CAMHS consultant psychiatrists per CHO from 2017 to 2022, and to date in 2023; the number of vacant positions per CHO for the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – Mark Ward

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

The data below is collected on a monthly basis from the Community CAMHS teams. These figures show the number of Community CAMHS Consultants at the end of each year.

It should be noted this is not the total CAMHS consultants i.e. there are Inpatient, Day Services, Liaison & MHID CAMHS Consultants which are not included here. The Office of the National Clinical Advisor & Group Lead for Mental Health, is currently conducting a census of all consultants working in CAMHS.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Change +/- 2011 v 2022	Change +/- 2017 v 2022
Consultant Psychiatrist	57.69	60.44	60.37	65.39	64.15	68.22	72.85	71.7	71.6	79.1	77.7	80.2	22.46	7.3



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Due to the dynamic nature of our workforce and movement within services, vacancy data is not currently captured.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Mc Cusker', written in a cursive style.

Tony Mc Cusker
General Manager
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