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Mr. Alan Dillon T.D. Constituency Office New Antrim St Gorteendrunagh Castlebar Co. Mayo F23 VE00

RE: PQ 32518/23

"To ask the Minister for Health what is being put in place to resolve the crisis in staffing issues in SLT in CHO2; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Dillon,

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.

Under the Enhanced Community Care programme Primary Care SLT received a number of additional posts, two of which are assigned to Paediatric services in Galway. A Senior SLT recruitment campaign was completed in early 2023 with panels formed for Primary Care, Disability, Adult services and CAMHS. In the interim temporary staff have been approved to cover SLT vacancies and to add further support to clear initial assessment waiting lists.

A National campaign is being run through the National Recruitment Service to target the filling of posts in Disability and CAMHS services across the country. The campaign will focus on Staff grade SLTs on the existing panels as well as new graduates, to promote working within Disability services and CAMHS.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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