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**PQ Number: 35316/23**

**PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health for an update on vacancy levels for mental health staff at primary care level, by CHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – Mark Ward**

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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.

Staff employed in Primary Care services provide a range of supports/services, including non-specialist Mental Health services. These are recorded in the overall Primary Care employment reports.

Staff delivering dedicated specialist mental health services are detailed in the Mental Health Employment Reports. Both are published monthly on the HSE website and can be found here:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/employment-reports.html>

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/health-services-employment-report-june-23.pdf>

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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