

02 August 2023

Deputy Duncan Smith Dáil Éireann Kildare Street Dublin 2

PQ Number: 37102/23

Question: "To ask the Minister for Health to provide in tabular form for each hospital the number of unfilled consultant positions respectively that currently remain unfilled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Duncan Smith"

Dear Deputy Smith,

The data in the attached spreadsheets is extracted from DIME (Doctors Integrated Management E-system) as at **24 July 2023**. DIME is dependent on clinical sites inputting details on their consultant workforce and therefore there may be variances and gaps in the data supplied to that held within clinical sites. As DIME is a live system it must be noted that there can be variances in the figures published dependent on the run date of the report as entries can be made with a retrospective date.

Table 1: Number of Vacant CAAC Approved Consultant posts by Hospital Group/CHO					
Hospital group/CHO	Principal Clinical Site	Actual Vacant	Vacant- Future Start date	Unknown	Total
BreastCheck	Breastcheck - Eccles Unit	1			1
	Breastcheck - Merrion Unit	1			1
	Breastcheck - Southern Unit	2			2
	Breastcheck - Western Unit	3	1		4
BreastCheck Total		7	1		8
Children's Health Ireland	CHI at Crumlin	21	2		23
	CHI at Tallaght	2			2
	CHI at Temple St	13			13
	Childrens Hospital Group	6			6
Children's Health Ireland Total		42	2		44
CHO 1	CHO 1	1			1
	MHS Donegal	3			3
	MHS Sligo / Leitrim	5			5
	Older Persons Services Cavan / Monaghan	1			1
	Older Persons Services Donegal	1			1
	Older Persons Services Sligo / Leitrim	1			1
	Primary Care Cavan / Monaghan	2			2
CHO 1 Total		14			14
CHO 2	CAMHS Galway Roscommon Mayo	6			6
	СНО 2	2			2
	MHS Galway / Roscommon	2			2
	MHS Mayo	2			2
CHO 2 Total		12			12

CHO 3	СНО 3	1			1
CHU 3	MHS Clare	2		1	3
	MHS Limerick	3			3
				-	1
	MHS Tipperary North	1			8
CHO 3 Total	CANALIC Could	2		1	
CHO 4	CAMHS Cork	2			2
	MHS Cork North Lee	2			2
	MHS Cork South Lee	2			2
	MHS Cork West	1			1
	MHS Kerry	1			1
CHO 4 Total		8			8
CHO 5	MHS Carlow / Kilkenny	2			2
	MHS Waterford	1			1
	MHS Wexford	1			1
CHO 5 Total		4			4
CHO 6	CAMHS - Clonskeagh Hospital	1			1
	Cluain Mhuire (SJOG)	4			4
CHO 6 Total		5			5
СНО 7	CAMHS Linn Dara	1			1
	Cheeverstown House	1		1	1
	CHO 7	2			2
	MHS Dublin South Central	6			6
	MHS Kildare / West Wicklow	1		+	1
	Our Lady's Hospice & Care Services	1		+	1
				+	1
	Public Health Laboratory	12			
CHO 7 Total		13			13
CHO 8	MHS Laois / Offaly	1			1
	MHS Longford / Westmeath	1			1
	MHS Louth / Meath	1			1
CHO 8 Total		3			3
CHO 9	CAMHS Dublin North City	2			2
	CHO DNCC – Primary Care	1			1
	MHS Dublin North	1			1
	St Mary's, Phoenix Park	1			1
	St Michael's House, Dublin	1			1
	St Vincent's, Fairview	1			1
CHO 9 Total		7			7
	Coombe Women & Infants University				
Dublin Midlands Hospitals Group	Hospital	4			4
	Midlands Regional Hospital,				
	Portlaoise	9			9
	Midlands Regional Hospital,				
	Tullamore	10			10
	Naas General Hospital	6		1	7
	St James's Hospital	12	1		13
	St Luke's, Rathgar	1			1
	Tallaght University Hospital	9			9
Dublin Midlands Hospitals Group					
Total		51	1	1	53
Ireland East Hospitals Group	Cappagh National Orthopaedic				
	Hospital	3			3
	Mater Misericordiae University				
	Hospital	34			34
	Midlands Regional Hospital,				
			1	1	1
	Mullingar	1			1

	National Rehabilitation Hospital	2			2
	Our Lady's Hospital, Navan	6			6
	St Luke's General Hospital,				
	Carlow/Kilkenny	2	2		4
	St Vincent's University Hospital	11	7		18
	Wexford General Hospital	10			10
Ireland East Hospitals Group					
Total		72	9		81
Mental Health Services	Central Mental Hospital, Dundrum	4			4
Mental Health Services Total		4			4
RCSI Hospitals Group	Beaumont Hospital	15	2		17
	Cavan General Hospital	3			3
	Connolly Hospital, Blanchardstown	7			7
	Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital,				
	Drogheda	8	4		12
	Rotunda Hospital	4			4
RCSI Hospitals Group Total		37	6		43
Saolta Hospitals Group	Letterkenny University Hospital	5	1		6
	Mayo University Hospital	4		1	5
	Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe	7			7
	Sligo University Hospital	6	1		7
	University Hospital Galway	30	2		32
Saolta Hospitals Group Total		52	4	1	57
South / South West Hospitals	Pallingallig Drimany Caro Contro	1			1
Group	Ballincollig Primary Care Centre	1			2
	Bantry General Hospital	2	15		46
	Cork University Hospital	31	15		-
	Cork University Maternity Hospital	5			5
	Mallow General Hospital	1	2	4	1
	Mercy University Hospital	7	3	1	11
	South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital	2	1		3
	Tipperary University Hospital	2	±		5
	(TippUH)	4			4
	University Hospital Kerry	16			16
	University Hospital Waterford	16	2		18
South / South West Hospitals					
Group Total		85	21	1	107
University of Limerick Hospitals					
Group	Ennis Hospital	1			1
	St John's Hospital, Limerick	2			2
	University Hospital Limerick	15			15
	University of Limerick Hospitals				
	Group	16			16
University of Limerick Hospitals					
Group Total		34			34
Total		457	44	4	505

Definition of Status

Approved: The post has been approved through the Consultant Applications Advisory Committee (CAAC) process. **Vacant:** A post which had been occupied previously, regardless of tenure, but is now vacant as verified by the clinical site on DIME. Future start date: Recruitment has concluded and a successful candidate has been appointed with their agreed start date in the future.

Unknown status: The clinical site has not yet assigned a Consultant to the post or marked the post as vacant.

Yours sincerely,

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