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Mr. Gerald Nash, T.D,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question 10501/23** *“To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE plans to introduce a dedicated paediatric speech and language service at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Ged Nash”*

Dear Deputy Nash,

The RCSI Hospital Group 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. Having reviewed the matter, the following outlines the position.

I can confirm that Our Lady of Lourdes, Drogheda and Louth Hospitals currently employ 11.96 WTE Speech and Language Therapists who cover multiple services across the hospital sites. There are currently no plans to increase this headcount.

We trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,



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