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REF: PQ 11189/23

RE: To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant posts among nursing staff, consultants, physiotherapists and other health/medical staff at Galway University Hospitals, by occupation and department, currently and in each of the past five years; and the steps taken to address the issue. -Noel Grealish

Dear Deputy Grealish,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above.

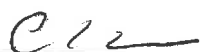
In response to your query, please see the table below of vacancies per staffing category at Galway University Hospital:

Staff Category	Vacant posts
Medical / Dental	42* (9 of which are currently at interview or at screening post interview stage)
Nursing	125
Health & Social Care	130
General Support	24
Patient & Client Care	63
Management/ Admin	71

Once a vacant post is identified, approval is sought to recruit for the post in question. There are ongoing recruitment campaigns across each staffing category.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,

  
 Chris Kane  
 General Manager  
 Galway University Hospitals