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Mr. Denis Naughten T.D. Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Re: Parliamentary Question 21801/23

To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant physiotherapy roles in children's primary care services in CHO8 ; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Naughten,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you recently submitted. I have examined the matter and I outline the position as follows.

Regarding the number of vacant physiotherapy roles in children's primary care services in CHO8, please be advised that:

- There are no vacant physiotherapy roles in children's primary care services in Longford/Westmeath.
- In Louth/Meath, there are two vacant whole time equivalent physiotherapy role in children's primary care services.
- In Laois/Offaly, there is currently one vacant 0.6 whole time equivalent physiotherapy role in children's primary care services. Unfortunately, to date, we have been unable to recruit into this post.

We will continue our efforts to link with the HSE national recruitment services and healthcare agencies in order to fill vacancies.



I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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