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Deputy Emer Higgins, Dáil Eireann, Dublin 2.

PQ ref 41897/23- "To ask the Minister for Health to confirm the number of occupational therapists based in Rowlagh health centre, Clondalkin; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Higgins,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for a response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Health Service Executive can confirm Rowlagh Health Centre is part of the overall Clondalkin Enhanced Community Care Network, which operates within Community Health Organisation Dublin South Kildare West Wicklow (CHO DSKWW). The approved staffing for the Clondalkin Adult Occupational Therapy network is 4.5 whole time equivalents. At present, these positions are vacant and recruitment is ongoing to fill all vacancies. In the meantime, Occupational Therapists from other catchment areas are currently supporting the Occupational Therapy Service in Rowlagh.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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