

## Oifig an Príomhoifigeach Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail Lár Tire, An Lú, An Mhí

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Mr. Robert Troy T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Re: Parliamentary Question - 14000/24

To ask the Minister for Health the posts which are sanctioned and remain vacant currently in CHO8.

Dear Deputy Troy,

The Health Service Executive 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. I have examined the matter and I outline the position as follows;

As you will be aware there are National requirements regarding approvals for recruitment and our community regions are required to align these presently.

At present we have received derogations for 187 posts and have filled 51 posts to date in 2023 in CHO MLM. The vast majority of derogations received relate to CDNT posts. We have just completed 9 campaigns for CDNT posts in the region from a campaign launched nationally and will be moving to offer stage with these posts over the next two weeks. It is worth noting that the numbers attending interview have been low, as expected, for CDNT posts. This trend has been clear over the past number of years and options including International Recruitment are at advanced stages. Unfortunately the domestic market is not providing the required number of graduates to meet the increasing demand.

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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