

Ms Niamh Smyth T.D.,  
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14<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**Re: PQ ref 1940/24 - New Appointments CDNT Cavan Monaghan since January 2022**

*“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of new appointments that have been made to the children's disability network teams, Enable Ireland services in counties Cavan and Monaghan since January 2022, in light of the very high vacancy rate within the service.” - Niamh Smyth*

Dear Deputy Smyth,

I refer to your parliamentary question above which has been referred to me for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

First of all to clarify the Children's Disability Network Team in County Monaghan is a HSE directly delivered service under Disability Services in Community Healthcare Cavan, Donegal, Leitrim, Monaghan, Sligo (CH CDLMS). The HSE Human Resources services are responsible for recruitment to the Monaghan Children's Disability Network Team. The Children's Disability Network Team in County Cavan is an Enable Ireland delivered service as per contractual arrangement in place with the HSE. The Enable Ireland Human Resources services are responsible for recruitment to the Cavan Children's Disability Network Team.

The Children's Disability Network Team Manager for Monaghan has advised that the following posts were recruited to since January 2022:

<b>Children's Disability Network Team Monaghan Recruited Positions since January 2022</b>			
<b>Recruitment Date</b>	<b>Staff Position</b>	<b>Whole Time Equivalent (WTE)</b>	<b>Still in post Yes/No</b>
29/08/2022	Occupational Therapist	1.0	N
12/12/2022	Senior Speech and Language Therapist	1.0	Y



09/01/2023	Speech and Language Therapist	1.0	Y
07/02/2023	Senior Speech and Language Therapist	1.0	Y
03/07/2023	Speech and Language Therapist	1.0	Y
01/08/2023	Senior Physiotherapist	1.0	Y
01/11/2023	Senior Psychologist	1.0	Y
13/11/2023	Senior Social Worker	1.0	Y
04/12/2023	Senior Dietician	0.5	Y

As advised by the Children's Disability Network Team Manager for Enable Ireland the following posts were recruited to since January 2022:

<b>Children's Disability Network Team Cavan Recruited Positions since January 2022</b>			
<b>Recruitment Date</b>	<b>Staff Position</b>	<b>WTE</b>	<b>Still in post Yes/No</b>
12/01/2022	Social worker	1.0	N
11/07/2022	Senior Occupational Therapist	1.0	N
11/07/2022	Senior Social Worker	0.6	N
22/08/2022	Occupational Therapist Assistant	1.0	N
03/10/2022	Senior Psychologist	0.5	N
03/10/2022	Speech & Language Therapist	1.0	N
01/11/2022	Administrator Grade IV	1.0	N
09/01/2023	Senior Social worker	0.6	Y
29/05/2023	Senior Occupational Therapist	1.0	Y
05/06/2023	Senior Occupational Therapist	1.0	N
27/07/2023	Speech & Language Therapist Assistant	1.0	N
02/10/2023	Senior Speech & Language Therapist	1.0	Y
02/10/2023	Liaison Nurse CNM II	0.5	Y
20/11/2023	Senior Physiotherapist	1.0	Y
13/02/2024	Child & Family Support Worker	0.44	Y

Please note that responses relating to PQ/Reps were held due to the Forsa Industrial Action which has now been suspended and as such I apologise for the delay in issuing this response.



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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edel Quinn', is placed on a light grey rectangular background.

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**Edel Quinn**  
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