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Deputy Verona Murphy TD
Dail Eireann
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PQ 11996/24: To ask the Minister for Health the status of the current vacant full time orthodontic consultant post in south east community healthcare: and if will make a statement on the matter.

PQ 11997/24: To ask the Minister for Health the current period of time the south east community healthcare has been without a WTE orthodontic consultant; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murphy,

In relation to the above PQ's, I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position:

There is one WTE Consultant Orthodontist currently in place for CHO5.

There is one WTE Consultant Orthodontist vacant post since the post was approved in November 2021. To date there have been no applicants to progress as far as interview despite the post being re-advertised on a rolling 3 week basis.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Anna-Marie Lanigan'.

Anna-Marie Lanigan,
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Assistant National Director, South East Community Healthcare