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Re: PQ no: 19646/24 – Medical Social Workers – St Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny

Dear Deputy Smith

I refer to the recent representation made to St Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny, which has been referred for direct response.

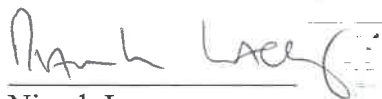
To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE medical social workers based at St. Luke's Hospital Kilkenny in 2022, 2023 and to-date in 2024, in tabular form. -Duncan Smith

I have had this matter examined and can confirm the following:

Year	WTE Medical Worker
2022	1
2023	2.98 Senior & 0.6 basic grade
2024	3 Senior & 1 basic

I trust this information is helpful to you.

Yours sincerely



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