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Deputy Róisín Shortall Dáil Éireann Kildare Street Dublin 2

PQ Number: PQ 45266/24

Question:

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of doctors who undertook specialist training for general practice in each of the years from 2018 to 2024; the number who completed the training programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter". -Róisín Shortall

Dear Deputy Shortall,

Please see table below which shows the numbers of trainees undertaking GP training and the number who completed GP training between 2018-2024.

The number of GP training places has increased significantly over the last seven years with a 68% growth in the number of GP trainees in efforts to meet the targets set out in the 2015 GP workforce planning report https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/leadership-education-development/met/plan/workforceplanning/.

| | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Total GPs across all 4 years of training | 705 | 772 | 801 | 1014 | 944 | 1059 | 1184 |
| Total graduates* | 128* | 136 | 142 | 161 | 160 | 164 | 171 |

* General Practice training programme is four years therefore graduates from the programme are based on intakes to training 4 years prior

Yours sincerely,

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