

29th October, 2024

Deputy Bernard Durkan
Dáil Eireann
Leinster House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

PQ REF: 39611/24 “To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of vacant job positions in CHO7; the plans for these positions to be filled before year end; the number of positions vacant for more than 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Dear Deputy Durkan,

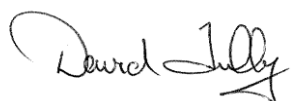
The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

The HSE recruitment embargo ended on 15 July 2024. The Dublin Midlands Region of which CHO7 is a part has been provided with its own specified number of Whole Time Equivalents (WTEs) and can within that approved number, replace, recruit and prioritise. This provides greater oversight when responding to the needs of the population and prioritising appropriately and requires HSE Managers to control recruitment to stay in line with the approved maximum.

Within the context of the assigned WTEs there are currently 411 funded vacancies within the CHO7 area.

Efforts to fill these vacancies before year end are ongoing with both National and local targeted recruitment campaigns in place from which panels of successful candidates are formed following interview. Vacancies are offered to successful candidates subject to the normal clarifications associated with the recruitment process.

Yours sincerely



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