

National Doctors Training and Planning

Health Service Executive Sancton Wood Building, Heuston South Quarter St John's Road West, Dublin 8

E-mail: doctors@hse.ie www.hse.ie/doctors

10/04/2025

Deputy Aidan Farrelly Dáil Éireann Kildare Street Dublin 2

PQ Number: 15249/25

Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacancies for WTE cardiological specialist, by job title and by CHO region, in tabular form. -Aidan Farrelly

Dear Deputy Farrelly,

The data below was extracted from DIME (Doctors Integrated Management E-system) at 24th March 2025. DIME is dependent on clinical sites inputting details on their consultant workforce and therefore there may be variances and gaps in the data supplied to that held within clinical sites.

As DIME is a live system it must be noted that there can be variances in the figures published dependent on the run date of the report as entries can be made with a retrospective date.

Total number of <u>vacant</u> CAAC (Consultant Applications Advisory Committee) approved Consultant Cardiology Posts by , Title of Post, Health Region and Post Status at 24.03.2025		
Title of post	Health Region	Vacant
Consultant Cardiologist	HSE Dublin & North East Region	2
	HSE South West Region	3
	HSE West & North West Region	1
Consultant Cardiologist Total		6
Consultant Cardiologist & General Physician	HSE Dublin & Midlands Region	0
Consultant Cardiologist & General Physician Total		0
Total		6

Definition of Status

Vacant: It should be noted that there is often a significant period of time between approval of a consultant post through CAAC to the commencement of the recruitment process and ultimately the recruitment of a Consultant to a post.

Unknown status: The clinical site has not yet assigned a Consultant to the post or marked the post as vacant.

Yours sincerely,

Leah O'Toole

Assistant National Director