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## PQ ref 17694/25

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant geriatricians attached to the Donegal integrated care programme for older persons in the years of 2023, 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Ward,

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 Health for response.

Having examined the matter, the table below outlines the position.

Consultant Geriatrician posts	One 50:50 approved Consultant for Donegal Integrated Care team,	Consultant post approved for the Memory Assessment and Support Service (MASS).
2023	Consultant post vacant (unable to fill despite multiple advertisements).	Consultant post vacant (unable to fill)
2024	Consultant post vacant (unable to fill despite multiple advertisements).	Consultant post vacant Advertised as Consultant Psychiatrist of Old Age POA and unable to fill.
2025 to date	Consultant post vacant - to be readvertised by Public Appointments Service (PAS).	Advised by National Dementia team to opt for Consultant Neurologist to fill this position. Application sent to Consultant Appointments Committee for approval at April meeting. Once approved it will be sent to Public Appointments Service for advertisement.



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

Yours sincerely

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