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## PQ 20195/25

To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant orthodontists and specialist orthodontists working within the HSE dental services in Waterford for children from 2022 to date in 2025, by location, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy McGuinness,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed the matter, and the table below outlines the current position.

## **Waterford Primary Care Services**

| Staff Grade             | 2022    | 2023   | 2024   | 2025    |
|-------------------------|---------|--------|--------|---------|
|                         |         |        |        |         |
| Specialist Orthodontist | 1.2 WTE | 1.0WTE | 0.8WTE | 0.8 WTE |
| Consultant              |         |        |        |         |
| Orthodontist            | 0.6WTE  | 0.6WTE | 0.6WTE | 0.6 WTE |
|                         |         |        |        |         |
| Senior Dentist          | 1.0WTE  | 1.0WTE | 1.0WTE | 0       |
| Total                   | 2.8     | 2.6    | 2.4    | 1.4     |

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

Yours sincerely,

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