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Deputy John Brady TD
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
Dublin 2

PQ25/20522

**2374. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown for posts to be delivered in the National Ambulance Service; the date by which she expects recruitment to be commenced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [20522/25]*

Dear Deputy Brady,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) 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.

Formal approval for 180 new service development posts in 2025 is expected to take effect from July 2025. The Part Year funding for 2025 (€8m) is expected to increase to full year funding effect in 2026 (€16m).

At this stage, I can confirm the following NAS services or transformation programmes are prioritised within the proposed developments, some of which still remain subject to formal approval, approval of a number of new grade codes, resolution of an industrial relations dispute before the WRC and the HSE's employment control arrangements:

Service/Programme	WTE*
Emergency Care Service	77
Urgent Care Service	30
Intermediate Care Service	24
Critical Care and Retrieval Service	3
Staff Wellbeing Service	3
Tertiary Education (Cork)	10
Staff Professional Development (Regional)	4
Specialist Practice Development	3
NAS Driver Training School	5
Quality and Patient Safety	5
Organisational Re-Design	16
Total	180

**Subject to change*





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Recruitment for Student Paramedics was initiated in January 2025, EMTs in March 2025 Qualified Paramedics and Specialist Paramedics in April 2025. A range of other recruitment campaigns are expected to run, subject to the capacity of the HSE' National Recruitment Service, commencing in May 2025.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ian Brennan, our General Manager responsible for NAS Operations in the Dublin South East Region.

I hope you find this information helpful

Yours sincerely

Robert Morton
Director
National Ambulance Service

