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**PQ 20548/25** – *“To ask the Minister for Health the total number of vacant speech and language therapist posts currently within CHO9; and if she will make a statement on the matter” - Emer Currie TD*

Dear Deputy Currie,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Integrated Health Areas Dublin North County and Dublin North City & West Primary Care Speech and Language Team have advised:

Integrated Health Areas of Dublin North County and Dublin North City & West	
Grade	WTE Vacancies
Senior SLT	13.9
Staff Grade SLT	36.6

We are actively working to address the vacancies within Primary Care roles, recognising the significant importance these positions hold in supporting our communities. Despite our ongoing recruitment efforts, filling these posts has proven to be challenging due to various factors. We apologise for the inconvenience caused and greatly appreciate your patience and understanding as we work through this.

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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