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Mr. Micheál Carrigy TD  
Dáil Éireann  
Leinster House  
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**RE: PQ ref 2606/25**

***To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the work his Department has undertaken to recruit the medical professionals for the Longford CDNT; and if he will make a statement on the matter.***

Dear Deputy Carrigy,

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 response. I have examined the matter and outlined the position as follows.

There are currently 18.8 whole time equivalent (wte) posts approved across nine (9) disciplines for Longford and Central Westmeath Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT) of which 3.9 wte are currently vacant.

I can confirm that HSE continues to strive to fill all vacant posts, however it is not possible to provide a timeframe when they will be filled as this is dependent on a number of factors including actual panels for a profession being in place, individuals on a panel being interested in taking up a post etc.

The Longford and Central Westmeath CDNT have also adapted a long term vision for recruitment ensuring that health and social care professionals have the opportunity to access college placements with the CDNT. The aim is to establish the team as a desirable workplace by creating a positive and proactive learning environment and building awareness of the broadness of supports and innovations being undertaken by the team.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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