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Mrs. Sorca Clarke, TD  
Leinster House  
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RE: PQ ref 4349/25

To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of WTE autism therapists and disability community facilitators attached to Longford CDNT teams in 2023, 2024 and to-date in 2025, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Clarke,

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

The Longford / Central Westmeath Children's Disability Network Team have the following approved posts to support children with complex disability needs:

Grade	Approved WTE
Children's Disability Network Manager	1
Clinical Psychologist	3
Senior Dietitian	0.6
Social Work Practitioner	2
Senior Physiotherapist	2
Senior Occupational Therapist	2.8
Clinical Nurse Manager 2	0.8
Grade IV	1
Grade V	0.9
Senior Speech and Language Therapist	3.2
Social Care Leader	0.5
Psychology Assistant	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18.8</b>

The posts referred to i.e. Autism Therapists and Disability Community Facilitator do not exist within the HSE and nor is there a grade code with the Department of Health for same.

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

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