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**PQ 36609/25 (Health) – To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the recruitment of qualified radiographers from third-level institutions in the State who have graduated in 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter.**

**- Ruth Coppinger**

Dear Deputy,

I refer to your recent Parliamentary Question which was sent to the HSE for response.

In the past 5 years, the HSE workforce has grown from 119,818 WTE on January 01<sup>st</sup> 2020 to 149,110 WTE in May 2025, an increase of 24%. This has included an increase in the staff category of Radiography from 1,229 WTE to 1,580 WTE.

To ensure maximum retention of our home-grown talent, the HSE issued a mandate in March 2025 to all services to support the recruitment of Irish trained graduates from the class of 2025. This instruction named 10 HSCP professions, outlined below, of which Radiographers were included:

- Dietician
- Occupational Therapist
- Physiotherapist
- Chiropodist / Podiatrist
- Speech and Language Therapist
- Social Workers
- Medical Scientist
- Radiation Therapist
- Radiographers
- Audiology

Posts are filled on an ongoing basis in line with the funding envelope and the PNS strategy. Therefore, there continues to be job opportunities and active recruitment of graduates across the services in the HSE and in the HSE funded services, not always in the first-choice location of the graduate.

There is a current rolling campaign live on the [HSE jobs page](#) to ensure continuous opportunities for qualified candidates. These campaigns aim to attract talented professionals to meet our growing service demands and enhance patient care delivery.

I trust this is of some assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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