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Deputy Donna McGettigan
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Re: PQ 38796/25 - "To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE Public Health Nurses based at Kilmihil Health Centre in 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter".

Dear Deputy McGettigan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Director of Public Health Nursing (DPHN) has provided the following information in relation to the WTE value of Public Health Nurses (PHNs) based at Kilmihil Health Centre in Co. Clare. The DPHN also provided additional information regarding a Registered General Nurse (RGN) who supports the Community Nursing Service covering the Kilmihil and Kilrush areas:

Timeline	WTE value (PHN)	WTE value (RGN)
January 2024 – October 2024	1.4 WTE (0.4 = agency cover)	1 WTE RGN holds dual qualification in midwifery and support primary visits between January 2024 to October 2024. RGN supports Breastfeeding Support Group one day per week in Kilrush.
October 2024 – June 2025	2 WTE	

I trust that the above information addresses the issues raised in your representation.

Yours sincerely,


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