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Letterkenny University Hospital, Letterkenny,
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PQ : 39656/25

To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant orthopaedic surgeons and orthopaedic registrars based at Letterkenny University Hospital in 2023, 2024 and to-date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Charles Ward

Dear Deputy

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

Consultant Trauma and Orthopedic Surgeon Posts – LUH

In each of the years 2023, 2024, and 2025, four Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) Consultant Trauma and Orthopedic Surgeon posts have been approved for Letterkenny University Hospital

Since 2023:

- Three of these posts have been filled on a permanent basis.
- A locum Consultant on a HSE specified purpose contract has continuously filled the fourth post.

Orthopedic Registrar Staffing Levels:

- 2023: 6 Registrars
- 2024: 6 Registrars
- 2025: 6 Registrars

LUH is currently preparing to advertise the fourth Consultant post in the coming months, with the aim of filling the position on a permanent basis.

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I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

**Seán Murphy
Hospital Manager
Letterkenny General Hospital**