

Deputy Pearse Doherty TD
Leinster House
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2

22nd August 2025

Re: PQ 40368/25
To ask the Minister for Health for the number of vacancies that exist within CAMHS in County Donegal, broken down by area, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Doherty,

I refer to your recent correspondence in relation to the above received to this office on 14th July 2025. Please accept my apologies for the delay on issuing this response to you.

I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position of Donegal Mental Health Service (DMHS) at 31st July 2025:

Team	Post	New/Replacement
1 post across all teams	Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) - Mental Health Intellectual Disability	New - Better Services Initiative
1 post across all teams	Psychiatrist - Mental Health Intellectual Disability	New - Better Services Initiative
1 post across all teams	Senior Occupational Therapist	New - Waiting List Initiative
1 post across Inishowen and North teams	Assistant Psychologist	New
Inishowen team	Admin - Grade V	New
Inishowen team	Staff Grade Occupational Therapist	Replacement
North team	Admin - Grade IV	Temp - long term sick leave
North team	Psychiatrist	New - Development of ED liaison/out of hours service
North team	Senior Social Worker 0.5	Replacement
North team	Senior Speech & Language Therapist	Temp - maternity
North team	Staff Grade Psychologist	New
South team	Clinical Nurse Specialist - Cognitive Behaviour Therapist	Replacement
South team	Psychiatrist	Replacement
South team	Senior Clinical Psychologist	New
South team	Senior Social Worker	Temp - maternity

As at 31st July 2025 there were 14.5 posts vacant in CAMHS Donegal outlined below:

- Clinical Nurse Specialist Posts x2
- Psychiatry Posts x3
- Occupational Therapy Posts x2
- Psychology Posts x3
- Admin Posts x2
- Social Work Posts x2.5

I trust this information will be of assistance however, should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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