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RE: PQ 42135 / 25

***"To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide the number of WTE occupational therapists posts by grade that are filled at Ballina Primary Care Centre in each of the years of 2023 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and the number of current vacancies and if he will make a statement on the matter"***

Dear Deputy Conway Walsh,

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 the following outlines the position.

1 WTE Senior OT post for Ballina Primary Care team	1 WTE Staff Grade OT post based in Ballina Primary Care Centre that covers the full Network (lower priority/less complex referrals)
Senior OT post temporarily vacant in 2023 due to post holder moving to a promotional post and then a Maternity leave in 2024 and most recently in June 2025.	Staff Grade post filled in 2023 and 2024, it is currently vacant due to post holder acting up in a Senior OT Role.
Backfill of Senior OT post is currently offered to Senior OT panel	

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

Yours sincerely

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