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Mr. Liam Quaide., T.D., Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

## PQ ref 422247/25

"To ask the Minister for Health the details of recruitment to the primary care child and adolescent services of the north Lee HSE catchment of the south west regional health area from January 2023 to July 2025 for the disciplines of occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, physiotherapy and psychology; the date each post was advertised; the contract type that is, temporary or permanent; the grade of post staff, senior or principal; if the post was accepted or not; if the post was delayed from being filled or eliminated by the Pay and Numbers Strategy; the clear details of any delays; the staffing provision for each discipline at the end of each year from 2022; and the population size served by the north Lee HSE catchment."

Dear Deputy Quaide,

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.

Please see below table with the Staffing Provision for North Lee from 2022 to present.

	Staffing Provision for North Lee									
North Lee P	North Lee Population - circa 174,500									
Year End Physiotherapy OT SLT Psychology										
	15.54 WTE	29.72 WTE	26.24 WTE	4.54 WTE						
2022	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	4.54 VV I L						
	16.82 WTE	20.88 WTE	20.64 WTE							
2023	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	9.65 WTE						
	12.58 WTE	18.71 WTE	12.72 WTE							
2024	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	6.45 WTE						
	13.05 WTE	17.9 WTE	12.33 WTE							
Jul-25	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	(CHN 6,7,8 & 9)	9.5 WTE						

Please see below table outlining the post details.

Discipline	Grade	Adult Service/ Paediatrics	Date post advertised	Contract Type	Location	Accepted/ Not	Affected by Pay & Numbers	Delay Details
Occupational						Accepted -		
Therapy	Staff Grade	Adult	N/A, in post	SPC	CHN6	in post	No	N/A
Occupational						Accepted -		
Therapy	Staff Grade	Paediatrics	N/A, in post	SPC	CHN6	in post	No	N/A
Occupational						Accepted -		
Therapy	Staff Grade	Adult	N/A, in post	Permanent	CHN7	in post	No	N/A
Occupational						Accepted -		
Therapy	Staff Grade	Adult	N/A, in post	Permanent	CHN8	in post	No	N/A
Occupational						Accepted -		
Therapy	Staff Grade	Paediatrics	N/A, in post	Permanent	CHN8	in post	No	N/A



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			advertised,					
			currently					
			progressing					
			via the					
			Workforce					
Occupational			Prioritisation					
Therapy	Staff Grade	Paediatrics	Process	Permanent	CHN6	N/A	Yes	N/A
			Not yet					
			advertised,					
			currently					
			progressing					
			via the					
			Workforce					
Occupational			Prioritisation					
Therapy	Staff Grade	Paediatrics	Process	Permanent	CHN9	N/A	Yes	N/A
			Not yet					
			advertised,					
			currently					
			progressing					
			via the					
			Workforce					
Occupational			Prioritisation					
Therapy	Staff Grade	Adult	Process	Permanent	CHN9	N/A	Yes	N/A
			Not yet					
			advertised,					
			currently					
			progressing					
			via the					
			Workforce					
Occupational			Prioritisation					
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Therapy	Staff Grade	Paediatrics	Process	Permanent	CHN6	N/A	Yes	N/A
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			currently					
			progressing					
			via the					
			Workforce					
Occupational			Prioritisation					
Therapy	Staff Grade	Adult	Process	Permanent	CHN8	N/A	Yes	N/A
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Therapy	Staff Grade	Adult	Process	Permanent	CHN8	N/A	Yes	N/A
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			local panel.					
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			HSCP					
Occupational			campaign					
Therapy	Senior OT	Paediatrics	underway	Permanent	CHN6	N/A	No	N/A
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Occupational			assigned					
Therapy	Staff Grade	Paediatrics	campaign	Permanent	CHN7	N/A	No	N/A
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			from existing local panel.					
			New Senior					
			HSCP					
Occupational			campaign					
Therapy	Senior OT	Adult	underway	Permanent	CHN7	N/A	No	N/A
						Accepted -		
Physiotherapy	Staff Grade	Adult	N/A, in post	Permanent	CHN8	in post	No	N/A
			Not yet			·		
			advertised,					
			approved					
Physiotherapy	Staff Grade	Adult	13/08/25	Permanent	CHN6	N/A	No	N/A
			Not yet					
			advertised,					
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Physiotherapy	Physiotherapist	Adult	13/08/25	Permanent	CHN9	N/A	No	N/A
			Not yet					
			advertised, currently					
			progressing					
			via the					
			Workforce					
	Physiotherapy		Prioritisation					
Physiotherapy	Assistant	N/A	Process	SPC	CHN6	N/A	No	N/A
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			progressing					
			via the					
			Workforce					
			Prioritisation					
Physiotherapy	Staff Grade	Adult	Process	Permanent	CHN7	N/A	No	N/A
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Physiotherapy	Assistant	N/A	Process	Permanent	CHN7	N/A	Yes	N/A



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			Workforce					
	Physiotherapy		Prioritisation					
Physiotherapy	Assistant	N/A	Process	SPC	CHN8	N/A	Yes	N/A
			Post			Accepted -		
Physiotherapy	Staff Grade	Adult	Accepted	Permanent	CHN9	in post	No	N/A
			NRS					
			assigned		CHN6 &	Not		
Physiotherapy	Staff Grade	Paediatrics	campaign	Permanent	CHN7	Accepted	Yes	N/A
			NRS			Not		
			assigned			Accepted		
Physiotherapy	Staff Grade	Adult	campaign	Permanent	CHN7	2023	Yes	N/A
			NRS			Not		
			assigned		a	Accepted		
Physiotherapy	Staff Grade	Adult	campaign	SPC	CHN7	2023	Yes	N/A
	Staff Grade				Cork			
Psychology	Psychologist	Paediatrics	N/A	Permanent	North	N/A	Yes	N/A
	Principal							
	Psychology				Cork	Accepted -		
Psychology	Manager	N/A	N/A, in post	Permanent	North	in post	No	N/A
	Senior				Cork	Accepted -		
Psychology	Psychologist	Paediatrics	N/A, in post	Permanent	North	in post	Yes	N/A
						Accepted -		
	Senior		Post		Cork	due to		
Psychology	Psychologist	Paediatrics	accepted	Permanent	North	commence	Yes	N/A
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Psychology	Psychologist	Paediatrics	accepted	Permanent	North	commence	Yes	N/A
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Psychology	Assistant	Paediatrics	accepted	SPC	North	in post	Yes	N/A
Dovobology	Psychology Assistant	Adult and Paediatrics	Post	SPC	Cork North	Accepted -	Yes	N/A
Psychology		Adult and	accepted Post	350	Cork	in post	162	IN/A
Psvchology	Psychology			SPC		Accepted -	Voc	N/A
Speech &	Assistant	Paediatrics	accepted	350	North	in post	Yes	IN/A
Language	Staff Grade							
Therapy	SLT	Paediatrics	N/A	Permanent	CHN6	N/A	Yes	N/A
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Language						Accepted -		
Therapy	Senior SLT	Paediatrics	N/A, in post	Permanent	CHN6	in post	No	N/A
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Language	Staff Grade					Accepted -		
Therapy	SLT	Paediatrics	N/A, in post	Permanent	CHN6	in post	No	N/A
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Language	Staff Grade	Adult and				Accepted -		
Therapy	SLT	Paediatrics	N/A, in post	Permanent	CHN8	in post	No	N/A
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			advertised,					
Speech &			currently					
Language			progressing					
Therapy	Senior SLT	Adult	via the	Permanent	CHN6	N/A	Yes	N/A
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Not yet	
advertised,	
currently	
progressing	
via the	
Speech & Workforce	
Language Staff Grade Prioritisation	
Therapy SLT Paediatrics Process SPC CHN7 N/A No	N/A
Not yet	
advertised,	
currently	
progressing	
via the	
Speech & Workforce	
Language Prioritisation Prioritisation	1
Therapy Senior SLT Adult Process Permanent CHN6 N/A Yes	N/A
Not yet	
advertised,	
currently	
progressing via the	
Speech & Workforce	
Language Staff Grade Prioritisation	
Therapy SLT Adult Process Permanent CHN8 N/A Yes	N/A
Speech & NRS	IN//
Language Staff Grade assigned	
Therapy SLT Paediatrics campaign Permanent CHN6 N/A No	N/A
Unable to fill	1 1// 1
from existing	
local panel.	
New Senior	
Speech & HSCP	
Language campaign	
Therapy Senior SLT Adult underway Permanent CHN7 N/A No	N/A
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Speech & NRS	
Language Staff Grade assigned	
Therapy SLT Paediatrics campaign Permanent CHN8 N/A No	N/A
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Speech & Language Therapy	Senior SLT	Adult	Post accepted - candidate in recruitment checks	Permanent	CHN7	Post accepted - candidate in recruitment checks		
Speech &			NRS					
Language Therapy	Staff Grade SLT	Paediatrics	assigned campaign	Permanent	CHN9	N/A	No	N/A



If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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