



21<sup>st</sup> August 2025

Deputy Ciaran Ahern TD  
Dáil Éireann  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

**Re: PQ 43086/25** - *To ask the Minister for Health the number of doctors specialising in palliative care in CHO7 and specifically in Dublin south west in each of the past five years, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter -we are interested in hospitals that would serve the Dublin South West area, primarily Tallaght Hospital.*

Dear Deputy Ahern

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position as advised by Tallaght University Hospital.

No. Doctors specialising Palliative Care						
Hospital	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	To date 2025
TUH	1	1	1	1.5	2	2

Yours sincerely,

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