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Re: PQ 31594/25

To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE social workers working in HSE adult safeguarding team in the north west region in the years of 2023, 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Cullinane

The Heath 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.

The table below details the number of Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) Social Work staff in the Safeguarding and Protection Team, in the former Community Healthcare Organisation 1 Area, which encompassed Cavan, Donegal, Leitrim, Monaghan and Sligo.

The number of WTE Social Workers working in HSE Adult Safeguarding Team in the former Community Healthcare Organisation 1 Area in the years 2023, 2024 and to date in 2025	
Year	Number of Social Workers (Whole time Equivalent)
2023	10 Whole Time Equivalent (WTEs), comprising of;
	 2 x Professionally Qualified Social Workers; 7 x Social Work Team Leaders;
	 1 x Principal Social Worker.
2024	10 WTEs, comprising of;
	 2 x Professionally Qualified Social Workers;
	 7 x Social Work Team Leaders; 1 x Principal Social Worker.
2025	10 WTEs, comprising of;
	2 Professionally Qualified Social Workers;
	7 Social Work Team Leaders;1 Principal Social Worker.



Please note, the Cavan/Monaghan area will be transferring to HSE Dublin and North East, in September 2025.

HSE West and North West have a second Safeguarding and Protection Team, covering counties Galway, Mayo and Roscommon, the contact details for which are as follows;

Galway, Mayo and Roscommon Safeguarding and Protection Team La Nua, Ballybane Castlepark Road Galway Phone: 091 748 432 Email: <u>Safeguarding.cho2@hse.ie</u>

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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