

28<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Deputy Pa Daly,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Dublin 2

**PQ ref 13216/25**

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Dear Deputy Daly,

The Health Service Executive have been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted for the Minister for Health for a response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Current staffing in Psychology across Kerry CAMHS Services is as follows:

<b>North Kerry CAMHS</b>	<b>South Kerry CAMHS</b>
<b>Psychology Assistants</b> WTE1.8 – in post	<b>Principal Psychologist</b> WTE 0.5 – in post
<b>Senior Psychologist</b> WTE1.0 – post vacant	<b>Psychology Assistant</b> WTE1.0 – in post
<b>Staff Grade Psychologist</b> WTE1.0 – post vacant	<b>Senior Psychologist</b> WTE1.0 – post vacant
	<b>Staff Grade Psychologist</b> WTE1.0 – post vacant

The table above highlights several vacant posts across the CAMHS Psychology team in Kerry at present. The service is actively trying to recruit to fill each of these positions and will continue to do so until suitable candidates are in post.

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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