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Deputy Eoghan Kenny, T.D.,
Dáil Éireann,
Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of speech and language therapists and psychology services are currently working at a centre (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter".

Details supplied: Mayfield Health Centre

Dear Deputy Kenny,

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.

Primary Care Services are organised on a geographical basis across Ireland with 96 Community Healthcare Networks (CHNs) nationwide. There are 14 CHNs operational across Cork and Kerry. CHN 8, known as North Cork City Central, has a population of 35,729 and comprises of five areas: (i) Blackpool/The Glen; (ii) Carrignavar; (iii) Mayfield; (iv) Montenotte/Tivoli; and (v) St. Patrick's. CHN 8 covers areas to the north side of Cork city.

See below table outlining staffing as requested;

Speech and Language Therapy Paediatrics			
WTE Budget	WTE Actual	Efforts Made	Commentary
2.8 WTE	2.8 WTE	100% staffing level	
Speech and Language Therapy Adult Population			
WTE Budget	WTE Actual	Efforts Made	Commentary
1 WTE	0 WTE	Cross cover from another CHN commenced May 12 th 2025 for high priority cases	0.5 WTE approved May 2025 and currently going through recruitment 0.5WTE due to return to work at the beginning of October 2025
Psychology Primary Care (Adult)			
WTE Budget	WTE Actual	Efforts Made	Commentary
1	0.8		While not based in Mayfield, child primary care psychology services in North Lee provide a service to Network 8.



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

Yours sincerely,

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