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Deputy Joe Cooney
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Re: PQ 23664/25 - "To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE Lactation Consultants based within Community Care settings of CHO3 in 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form".

Dear Deputy Cooney,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Director of Public Health Nursing has confirmed the following information in response to your query:

	WTE value of Lactation Consultants in post during 2024 and to date in 2025 – HSE Mid West area			
	Limerick	Clare	North Tipperary	Total WTE
2024	1 WTE	1 WTE	0 WTE	2 WTE
2025 (to date)	1 WTE	1 WTE	1 WTE (currently being processed through HSE Recruitment and new Consultant due to commence in August 2025)	3 WTE (as of August 2025)

I trust the above information addresses the issues raised in your representation.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Costello
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