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Mr. Johnny Mythen TD Dail Eireann Leinster House Dublin 2

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To ask the Minister for Children; Disability and Equality the current staffing vacancies within each of the children's disability network teams in New Ross, Enniscorthy, Wexford and Gorey in County Wexford; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Mythen,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

As with other areas Disability Services within IHA Waterford/Wexford are continuing to experience significant recruitment challenges. The HSE is operating in a very competitive market as there are significant shortages of qualified healthcare professionals nationally and internationally. The IHA continues to prioritise local competitions for all disciplines and continues to express posts out to current national panels where relevant.

The HSE acknowledges that waiting times for CDNT service at this time are stressful for children and their families, and will continue to explore a range of options to enhance the recruitment and retention of essential staff into our CDNTs.

The following table outlines current staffing vacancies on CDNT New Ross, CDNT Gorey, CDNT Wexford and CDNT Enniscorthy.

	New Ross	Gorey	Wexford	Enniscorthy
	WTE	WTE	WTE	WTE
Total WTE Vacant	2.40	7.00	7.00	6.00

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

Yours sincerely,

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