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Deputy Michael Fitzmaurice Dáil Éireann Kildare Street Dublin 2

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Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of maternity hospitals that rely on locum consultants for obstetric care; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Michael Fitzmaurice

Dear Deputy Fitzmaurice,

The data below was extracted from DIME (Doctors Integrated Management Esystem) at 31st August 2025.

DIME is dependent on clinical sites inputting details on their consultant workforce and therefore there may be variances and gaps in the data supplied to that held within clinical sites.

As DIME is a live system it must be noted that there can be variances in the figures published dependent on the run date of the report as entries can be made with a retrospective date.

Total number of temp and locum Consultants employed in Maternity Hospitals at 31.08.2025 Total **Principal Clinical Site** Headcount Locum **Temp** Coombe Women & Infants University Hospital 1 0 1 Cork University Maternity Hospital 2 2 4 2 2 National Maternity Hospital 0 Rotunda Hospital 7 8 1 4 University Maternity Hospital Limerick 0 4 **Total Headcount** 12 7 19

Yours sincerely,

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