

7th October 2025

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PQ ref 50313/25

“To ask the Minister for Children; Disability and Equality the number of vacancies, by job title in each children's disability network team based within Mayo; the expected timeframe for filling each of those vacancies, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Conway-Walsh,

I refer to PQ 50313/25 uploaded on the PAD System on the 18th September 2025 and due for response on the 6th October 2025 regarding representations that you have made to the Minister for Children; Disability and Equality the number of vacancies, by job title in each children's disability network team based within Mayo; the expected timeframe for filling each of those vacancies, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter.” I apologise for the late response on this information.

The HSE has been requested to respond to you directly. The following response outlines the position.

CDNT 1 North Mayo	Permanent Post Vacant at present	Temporary Post Vacant at present	Update on recruitment to fill
Social Care Leader	1 WTE		New local campaign has been initiated
Social Care Leader (Behaviour Support)		1 WTE	Offered to existing panel to fill on temporary capacity
Speech & Language Therapist	1 WTE		Post accepted
Psychologist	1 WTE		Offered to panel and not accepted Added to new national rolling campaign
Occupational Therapist, Senior	1 WTE		Awaiting approval to offer to panel

CDNT 2 South Mayo	Permanent Post Vacant at present	Temporary Post Vacant at present	Update on recruitment to fill
Clerical Officer	1 WTE		Post accepted
Social Worker	1 WTE		New Development post offered to panel
Occupational Therapist	1 WTE		Offered to panel
Physiotherapist, Senior	1 WTE		Post accepted
Psychologist, Senior	1 WTE		Post accepted
Speech & Language Therapist	1 WTE		Offered to panel
Occupational Therapist, Senior	2 WTE		Posts offered to panel and new campaign has been initiated

CDNT 3 West Mayo	Permanent Post Vacant at present	Temporary Post Vacant at present	Update on recruitment to fill
Psychologist	2 WTE		Offered to panels in place & added to new national campaigns
Occupational Therapist, Senior		1 WTE	Post offered to panels in place. New campaign has been initiated
Occupational Therapist	1 WTE		Post offered to panel
Social Worker	1 Part time Post		Post awaiting approval as new resignation
Speech & Language Therapist		1 WTE	Offered to panel. Post not accepted, agency staff in situ
Social Care Assistant		1 Part time Posts employed through Voluntary Agency	Unable to fill
Physiotherapist, Senior		1 WTE	Offered to new panel

Therapy Managers (Covering CDNT 1-9)	Temporary Post Vacant at present	Update on recruitment to fill
Occupational Therapist Manager	1 WTE	Post awaiting bespoke recruitment campaign
Speech & Language Therapist Manager	1 WTE	Post awaiting bespoke recruitment campaign
Physiotherapist Manager	1 WTE	Post awaiting bespoke recruitment campaign

There has been active ongoing emphasis on filling vacant posts through local and national campaigns in Children's Disability Services. New initiatives include the new national graduate panels formed, new national rolling campaigns and specific targeted campaigns locally.

I trust that this response has clarified the matter that you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely,

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