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To ask the Minister for Health the total number of current vacancies within the HSE orthodontic services in County Carlow; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murnane O'Connor,

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.

Orthodontic services are provided as a regional service within South East Community Healthcare (CHO5) and clinics are held in Waterford, Enniscorthy, Clonmel and Kilkenny.

Residents in Co. Carlow can be reviewed and receive orthodontic treatment in the Kilkenny Orthodontic clinic in Newpark Primary Care Centre.

There is currently a 0.4 whole time equivalent vacancy in Kilkenny. There is currently no orthodontic service available in County Carlow.

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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