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Deputy Sean Fleming, Dáil Eireann, Dublin.

19th January 2024.

Re: PQ ref 55233/23: To ask the Minister for Health to outline his views in relation to the pausing of vacancies and the impact it can have on key locations (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Fleming,

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

When a staff member working in Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise leaves, replacement of the post is progressed by Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise with Dublin Midland Hospital Group HR. Replacement is paused at present due to current recruitment pause. This is causing significant challenges in the key locations referred to due to our inability to redeploy or recruit.

I trust that the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

John Joyce.

General Manager.

