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PQ 55368/23

To ask the Minister for Health for an update on recruitment of PHNs for the CHO5 area.

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.

The recruitment of Public Health Nurses is completed via the National Sponsorship Scheme for Public Health Nurses or the National Public Health Nurse Transfer panel. The National PHN sponsorship scheme is run by National Primary Care and the Office of the Nursing and Midwifery Services Director (ONMSD). Primary Care submit numbers for sponsorship and are informed as to successful candidates.

In 2023, a total of 6 Public Health Nurses and 9 Student Training Placements commenced in CHO5.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anna Marie Lanigan', written over a horizontal line.

Anna Marie Lanigan
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