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To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff in public PrEP services in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, by location, in tabular form; the number of vacancies in the service in each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Shortall,

Thank you for your question to the Minister for Health, which was forwarded to my office to respond to you directly.

Funding was allocated to public STI services for staff resources for the delivery of a PrEP service, from PrEP funding received in Budget 2020. The table below outlines the WTE provided to each service by year.

	2020*	2021	2022	2023
GMHS	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7
GUIDE	3.92	4	5.2	5.2
ммин	4	4.25	4.25	4.25
SVUH	3	3	4	4
UHL/Ennis/Nenagh	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
UHG/PUH/MUH	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3
SIVUH/CUH	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
MRH Portlaoise	1.9	1.9	2.7	2.7
Louth Clinics	2.35	2.35	2.35	2.6
Sligo/Letterkenny	3.95	3.95	3.95	3.95
Waterford/Clonmel/Carlow	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
MRH Mullingar	3.27	3.5	3.5	3.5

Total WTE	45.59	46.15	49.15	49.4
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^{*}Start dates varied by service

Information on the number of current staff in post or vacancies within public STI/PrEP services is not centrally collated or available. Information on current staffing numbers and vacancies can be sought directly from the services.

Yours Sincerely,



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