

19th April, 2024

Mr. Duncan Smith, T.D.,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Dublin 2

**PQ ref 13878/24**

**“To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE audiologists, by grade employed, by HSE working in CHO4 in 2022, 2023 and to date in 2024, in tabular form.”**

Dear Deputy Smith,

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.

The table below outlines that WTE employed in the audiology department in CHO4 in March 2022, 2023 and 2024. The post of chief audiologist is an enhancement to the clinical and operational management and was recruited October 2023

Grade	WTE		
	March -22	March - 23	March -24
Chief Audiologist	N/A	N/A	1
Senior Audiologist	5.0	4.7	3.1
Audiologist	6.8	4.2	5.8
Assistant Audiologist	1.8	2.2	1.6

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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