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Mr Paul Donnelly, TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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PQ 15382/24 *"To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of WTE psychologists, dietitians and occupational therapists that are CDNT based at (details supplied) in the years 2023 and to-date in 2024, in tabular form"* **Paul Donnelly, TD DETAILS SUPPLIED:** Kilbarrack Children's Disability Network Team.

Dear Deputy Donnelly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you with information in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The table below outlines the number of Whole-Time Equivalent (WTE) Psychologists, Dietitians and Occupational Therapists (OT) on Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC) Kilbarrack Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT), from January 2023 to present.

	Psychologists (WTE)	Dietitians (WTE)	Occupational Therapists (WTE)
January 2023	1.4	0	2.2
February 2023	2.2	0	2.2
March 2023	2.2	0	2.2
April 2023	2.2	0	2.2
May 2023	2.2	0	2.2
June 2023	2.2	0	2.2
July 2023	2.2	0	2.2
August 2023	2.2	0	2.2
September 2023	2.2	0	2.2
October 2023	2.2	0	2.2
November 2023	2.2	0	2.2
December 2023	1.4	0	1.6
January 2024	1.4	0	2.6
February 2024	2	0	2.6
March 2024	2	0	3.6
April 2024	2	0	3.6

*Whole-time equivalent (WTE) is a unit of measurement that indicates the workload of an employed person in a way that makes workloads comparable across various contexts and is not always represented in whole numbers.

Please note that Kilbarrack CDNT does not have a dietitians assigned to the team. However, St Michael's House (SMH), the lead agency for Kilbarrack CDNT does employ a dietician and when required, cases can be referred to this dietician.

I trust this information clarifies this matter for you.

Yours sincerely,

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