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Deputy Patricia Ryan  
Dáil Eireann,  
Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health the number of hours for each public health nurse in CHO7; and if these hours will be increased in light of the population increase, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Ryan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for a response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Health Service Executive can confirm that the below table is the total number of Public Health Nurse's whole time equivalent (WTE) and hours per week in Dublin South West, Kildare & West Wicklow. There is currently a recruitment pause in the HSE.

<b>Public Health Nurse Hours Dublin South Kildare &amp; West Wicklow</b>
<b>Total WTE 117.5</b>
<b>Total 4,406 hrs per week</b>

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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