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PQ 7239/24

To ask the Minister for Health the current staffing levels within the Wexford CAMHS services; the current vacancies that are presently available with the Wexford CAMHS services; in tabular form; the vacancies that are currently with the national recruitment services; and if he will make a statement on the matter

PQ 7240/24

To ask the Minister for Health the current number of referrals for support services to Wexford CAMHS services awaiting assessment; and if he will make a statement on the matter

PQ 7241/24

To ask the Minister for Health the acceptance rate for referrals to Wexford CAMHS services awaiting assessment; and if he will make a statement on the matter

PQ 7242/24

To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting an initial assessment for support services in Wexford CAMHS; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Murphy,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the Parliamentary Questions, which were submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have examined the matter and the following composite response outlines the current position.

The current staffing for CAMHS Wexford is as follows:

Grade	South Team	North Team
Consultant Psychiatrist	1	1
NCHD	1	1
Social Worker	0.80	0
Child/Social Care Worker	0.50	0.50
Clinical Psychologist	1	1.80
Occupational Therapist	1	1
Speech & Language Therapist	0	1
Other Therapist	0.20	0
Mental Health Nursing	2	3.2
Administration staff	1.30	1.80
Other	0.60	0

The current staff vacancies for CAMHS Wexford are:

Grade	Team
Staff Nurse Mental Health	South
Speech & Language Therapist	South
Clinical Nurse Specialist	North
Dietitian Senior	North
Grade III Clerical Officer	North
Occupational Therapist Senior	North
Consultant Psychiatrist	Team III Gorey
Social Work Team Leader	Team III Gorey
ADON	WAT / WX CAMHS
Team Co-Ordinator	WAT / WX CAMHS

The Grade III Clerical Officer is with the National Recruitment Service, the other positions are currently with SECH recruitment.

In February 2024 the number of referrals for support services to Wexford CAMHS services awaiting assessment is 97.

Acceptance to CAMHS Services is following discussion at MDT and in accordance with the nationally agreed CAMHS Operational Guidelines. From January 2023 to December 2023 the acceptance rate for referrals to Wexford CAMHS services was (per 10,000) Wexford North 61.2%, Wexford South 40.8%.

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

Yours sincerely



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