



28th February 2024

Claire Kerrane
Leinster House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

PQ ref 7250/24

** To ask the Minister for Health to provide in tabular form the current number of vacancies, if any, in a facility - E-Mental Health Hub in Castlerea, Co. Roscommon, the length of time the vacancy has existed; and if he will make a statement on the matter**

Dear Deputy Kerrane,

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position;

POLL 3 Services, Day Hospital

Current Vacant Positions:		
Consultant General Adult Psychiatrist	1.0	Approved but not filled to date
Social Worker	1.0	Approved but not filled to date
Administrator	1.0	Vacant since August 2023

The POLL Psychiatric Services operates weekly outpatient clinics, group therapy, one to one counselling sessions, family assessments and core assessments from the Day Hospital, Castlerea.

CAMHS Connect

Current Vacant Positions:		
Senior Clinical Psychologist	1.0	Vacant since November 2023
Senior Occupational Therapist	1.0	Vacant since November 2023

Both posts have been submitted for the usual summary replacement approval. However, recruitment is not being processed due to the current recruitment pause.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Charlie Meehan', written in a cursive style.

Charlie Meehan
Head of Mental Health Services
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