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Re: PQ ref 32175/24 (9673GMPQ)

To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to fill vacancies in primary care in counties Cavan and Monaghan for children who are waiting for occupational therapy, speech and language support and psychology services; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Smyth

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 of Health for response.

I have examined the matter, and the following outlines the position for Community Healthcare Cavan Donegal Leitrim Monaghan Sligo.

All steps have been taken to fill staff vacancies in occupational therapy, speech and language support and psychology services in Cavan Monaghan Primary Care Services for children, including submission of backfill requests, escalation of risk assessment and contingency plans due to vacancies. Recruitment will continue in line with the HSE Pay and Numbers Strategy which issued recently.

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

Yours sincerely,

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