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Ref: PQ 25976/24

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Deputy Steven Matthews Dáil Eireann Dublin 2

**Dear Deputy Matthews** 

I refer to your below parliamentary question which has been forwarded to me for attention.

PQ 25976/24 – To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to staff shortages in radiography roles in Children's Health Ireland at Crumlin; if he is concerned by the knock on impact this is having for child patients and their families; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

## Children's Health Ireland (CHI) Response:

Children's Health Ireland (CHI) at Crumlin can advise that the workforce in the Radiography department comprises 53.8WTE radiographers and is currently staffed at 82.4%. There are 9.5 vacancies across clinical specialist, senior and staff grades. Patient experience and safety are prioritised by the department daily while awaiting recruitment and appointment of posts.

Yours sincerely

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