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Catherine Murphy TD
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Ref: PQ 22373/24

Re: *“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of WTE staff grade psychologists, dieticians and child and family support workers employed in the north Kildare Children's Disability Network Team in the years of 2022, 2023 and to-date in 2024 in tabular form.”*

- Catherine Murphy

Dear Deputy Murphy,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to the Health Service Executive for direct response. I have requested the Children's Disability Network Manager for North Kildare examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

See below table for the number of WTE staff grade psychologists, dieticians and child and family support workers employed in the north Kildare Children's Disability Network Team in the years of 2022, 2023 and 2024.

	2022 Allocated	2022 In Post	2023 Allocated	2023 In Post	2024 Allocated	2024 In Post	Comment *
Staff Grade Psychologists	4	3.5	3.3*	3.3	3.3	2.5	*Decreasing WTE between 2022 and 2023 –vacant post unable to fill after a number of attempts therefore funding utilised to create Senior Psychology post that was filled in June 2023
Staff Grade Dietitian*	0	0	0	0	0	0	*The dietitian post attached to the North Kildare CDNT is a .6wte Senior post and has been filled since January 2023
Family Support Works	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Staffing changes occur continuously throughout the year the above table is taken from the end of April 2022, 2023 and 2024.

I trust this information is of use to you. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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