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To ask the Minister for Health the current WTE positions, filled and vacant, in each of both south Tipperary CAMHS teams, broken down by discipline, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Browne,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which has been submitted to this service for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

Table 1: CAMHS South Tipperary - Current WTE by Team and Discipline

| WTE | CAMHS Team 1 | CAMHS Team 2 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Consultant Psychiatrist | 1 | 1 |
| Registrar/SHO | 1 | 1 |
| Social Worker | 1 | 1 |
| | * | |
| Clinical Psychologist | | 1 |
| Occupational Therapist | 0.8 | * |
| Speech & Language Therapist | 0.8 | 1 |
| Nurse | 2.8 | 3 |
| Administration Support | 3 | 2 |
| | 1.0 vacant (statutory | 1.0 vacant (statutory |
| Other staff | leave) | leave) |
| Total | 11.4 | 11 |

^{*}Currently no funding for above posts. In accordance with the national HSE Pay and Numbers Strategy, each Health Region has been provided with its own specified number of WTEs and they can, within that approved number, replace, recruit and prioritise posts. This provides greater flexibility to respond to the needs of the population and prioritise posts appropriately. Mental Health Services operates within this process to recruit to posts to CAMHS and other MHS services.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. If I can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely Anne Donzesho

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