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Re: PQ 40703/24 – Genomics services

**“To ask the Minister for Health the number and location of laboratories within the HSE Dublin and South East Health Regions operating genomics services for patients; the number of WTE and grades in each location; the corresponding number of vacancies; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”**

Dear Deputy Naughten,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on genomics services in the HSE Dublin and South East Health Region, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised that St Vincent’s University Hospital is the only laboratory in the region that operates genomics services. Please see table below regarding staffing.

0.4 WTE Consultant Molecular pathologist
1 WTE Clinical Scientist
1 WTE Bioinformatician
2.5 WTE Senior Medical Scientists
1 WTE Laboratory Aide
0.5 WTE Senior Medical Scientist post (unfilled)

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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