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To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be approved for the recruitment of additional WTE Senior Special Care Dental Surgeon for the Carlow/Kilkenny and South Tipperary area of CHO5 and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murnane O' Connor,

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

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

I can confirm there is currently a 1.0 whole time equivalent Dental Surgeon providing services for clients with Special Needs in the South Tipperary area.

I can confirm that the post of Senior Dental Surgeon for the provision of services to clients with Special Needs Carlow/Kilkenny is currently vacant. Despite the post being advertised on a number of occasions to date it currently remains unfilled.

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

Yours sincerely,

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